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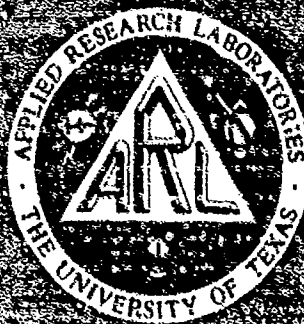
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## I. INTRODUCTION

The bottom interaction experiment will collect data to:

- Measure acoustic propagation loss
- Measure bottom interaction
- Measure bottom loss
- Measure noise field
- Measure bottom properties

in a bottom limited region.

Bottom loss versus grazing angle as a function of frequency will be determined and examined for consistency throughout the region selected for the experiment.

Impulsive (explosive) sources have been used extensively to measure propagation features. Analysis of received energy from such sources by means of digital signal processing allows a greater flexibility than do other techniques. With the ability to resolve and analyze (on a routine basis) the individual arrivals contained in the received signal, it becomes possible to take into consideration the differences in propagation paths of the individual arrivals. The experiment described here will take advantage of the available modeling techniques to describe individual arrival paths. For those paths interacting with the bottom it is then possible to measure the influence of the bottom.

The acoustic data will be recorded by means of the ACODAC (Acoustic Data Capsule) recording system with hydrophones at selected depths in the water column. Hydrophone depths and SUS locations will be selected to include single bottom bounce data and to include ranges out to the maximum at which signals can be detected. SUS runs will be made in four directions from the two ACODAC systems so that consistency of the bottom effects over a large area will be established.

Additional features of the experiment include use of a continuous wave (CW) source to obtain CW propagation loss data to supplement the explosive source data, and to allow comparison of the two measurements in a severely bottom limited region.

The particular site selected as appropriate for the bottom interaction measurements permits additional useful measurements. The location allows both SUS and CW data to be taken in a transition region which goes across a trough to a continental slope into shallow water. Data will be collected to describe propagation down this slope into a bottom limited region.

Also for this particular region, the highest density of shipping occurs in a single lane which is parallel to the coast and is in shallow water. The selection of ACODAC sites will permit some interpretation of the distribution of the noise field from these shallow water sources in a bottom limited region.

Supporting the direct acoustic measurements will be measurements of temperature profile, sound velocity profile, and wind, sea, and swell conditions. To aid in describing the bottom, bathymetry, wide angle reflection, and subbottom profiling data will be taken.

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Although the future of the experiment as described in this document became uncertain in the LRAPP program, certain elements of the experiment are useful to report. The final recommendations of the Technical Advisory Group of the Bottom Interaction Experiment are included in Appendix G. These recommendations go into detail concerning the experiment as configured in this report and discuss necessary changes when different experiment design criteria prevail.

## II. PURPOSE OF EXPERIMENT

The experiment described here has several measurement goals, all directed toward further understanding of the interaction of low frequency sound with the ocean bottom. The experimental design is such that relatively simple measurements will achieve the multiple goals. The experiment will be conducted in a region without a fully developed acoustic channel, the so-called bottom limited condition. While not essential to some elements of the experiment, all the measurements goals can best be accomplished in a bottom limited region. The purpose of this section is to describe the goals of the experiment and especially to call attention to the necessary interrelations between these measurement goals.

To understand and describe propagation under the conditions of bottom interaction, it is necessary with existing modeling techniques to know the acoustic bottom loss versus grazing angle as a function of frequency. The ACODAC's receiving hydrophones will be configured and the SUS runs designed so that bottom reflectivity data will be collected from very close range (single bounce) to the maximum range at which signals can be detected. For comparison purposes, data for up to three bottom interactions will be analyzed by processing total energy received for each shot. This method of analysis will be essentially a repeat of those used previously. This experiment will expand the analysis techniques to include analysis of individual arrivals; i.e., acoustic arrivals from an explosive source which have traveled by different transmission paths. The experiment design requires selection of source depth, receiver depth, and range to ensure transmission paths which interact with the bottom, and which have delay times between transmission paths adequate to allow resolution of individual arrivals.

To plan the experiment, the following steps are necessary.

1. Estimation of propagation loss expected for the bottom area of interest. This step is necessary in order to make the best estimate of signal levels to be expected and the best prediction of ranges over which bottom loss can be measured. For prediction purposes, a range of bottom loss behavior is assumed. Resulting propagation loss (PL) prediction from the FACT model for several source and receiver geometries of interest are generated. FACT is a ray theory layered ocean propagation model suitable for this type problem. It includes caustic corrections, surface image interference effects, and low frequency cutoff, and treats bottom interaction by application of a suitable bottom loss coefficient to bottom interacting multipaths as a function of the eigenray bottom grazing angle.

2. Prediction of eigenrays for expected ranges and the source and receiver depths of interest. With an indication of expected signal levels at the ACODAC receivers and using the propagation loss predictions from FACT, a tabulation of eigenrays is obtained to show bottom interaction angles, number of bottom interactions, and delay times between individual arrivals. The ability to compute details of eigenrays is a recent development from a NAVELEX sponsored program at ARL/UT. Additional information is given in Appendix B.

The primary uncertainty in this experimental design procedure is the exact nature of the bottom where the experiment is to be conducted. Use has been made of the limited bottom loss data for nearby regions to select several types of bottom behavior for use in the FACT runs. In the experiment design, ranges have been selected to allow measurement of bottom loss within a span of values similar to those used in the prediction.

A second major aspect of the experiment is the use of a continuous wave (CW) source. Although these data do not contribute directly to

measurement of bottom interaction, it is important to make a direct comparison of propagation loss measurements using CW and SUS data in a bottom limited region. The propagation loss measurements will extend from the smooth bottom, up slope into very shallow water, again allowing direct comparison of the two measurements results. Because of the limits on towing depth and source level, the range over which CW measurements can be made is limited.

Another feature of this particular site is the concentration of shipping in a well defined lane running close to the shore in shallow water. The locations of the ACODAC systems have been selected to allow collection of data to give information on the distribution of noise from these shallow sources into a bottom limited region.

Experience from other acoustic experiments using the ACODAC systems will be used to select density of temperature profile data (XBT), sound velocity profile data (SVP), bottom profile (bathymetry), and meteorology data (wind, wave, and swell).

Two additional measurements will be made to aid in understanding the bottom features. Subbottom profiling will be conducted along all tracks where acoustic propagation measurements will be made. The subbottom profile will supplement the routine bathymetry data by giving information on the details of acoustic layers below the bottom down to depths on the order of 200 m. To increase the usefulness of the subbottom profile data, wide angle reflection measurements will be made at appropriate intervals along the tracks. The wide angle reflection data allow calculation of the acoustic propagation velocity in the subbottom layers.

### III. LOCATION

In choosing an experimental site, there were two categories of information to be considered: those features which were necessary and those which were desirable.

It was necessary in this early stage of experimentation to have minimum bottom topographic variation over the maximum range from which measurements were expected. First choice was a smooth flat bottom and second choice was a smooth sloping bottom; the contribution of more complex bottom features can better be examined in later experiments. It is highly desirable to conduct the measurements in a severely bottom limited region, although this is not necessary for some goals of the experiment. It is desirable to have some additional knowledge of the area including sound velocity profile and bottom type.

Initially, three areas in the Eastern-Central Pacific were examined. These areas are shown in Fig. III-1. The entire region is bottom limited and each area has a relatively smooth bottom with several hundred miles dimension; and, there is adequate knowledge to support the planning phase and to determine that the desired measurements can be made. Site I was selected because it had the most desirable bottom features.

The SVP shown in Fig. III-2 is representative of this area. It shows a condition of severe bottom limited acoustic propagation for shallow sources. Bottom data, although limited, indicates a uniform region of thin (<100 m) sediments with high bottom loss at low grazing angles. No bottom loss data were available at grazing angles between 0° and 5°.

A benefit of this location is the proximity of the coastline and its rapid slope. With small additional effort, data on slope coupling in a bottom limited region will be obtained. Another feature is the



HEIGHT OF  
OCEAN BOTTOM  
(IN FATHOMS)  
ABOVE CRITICAL  
DEPTH

0 - 500

500 - 1500

> 1500

FIGURE III-1

BOTTOM LIMITING EXTENT IN EASTERN PACIFIC SHOWING  
SITES CONSIDERED FOR EXPERIMENT (I, II, III)

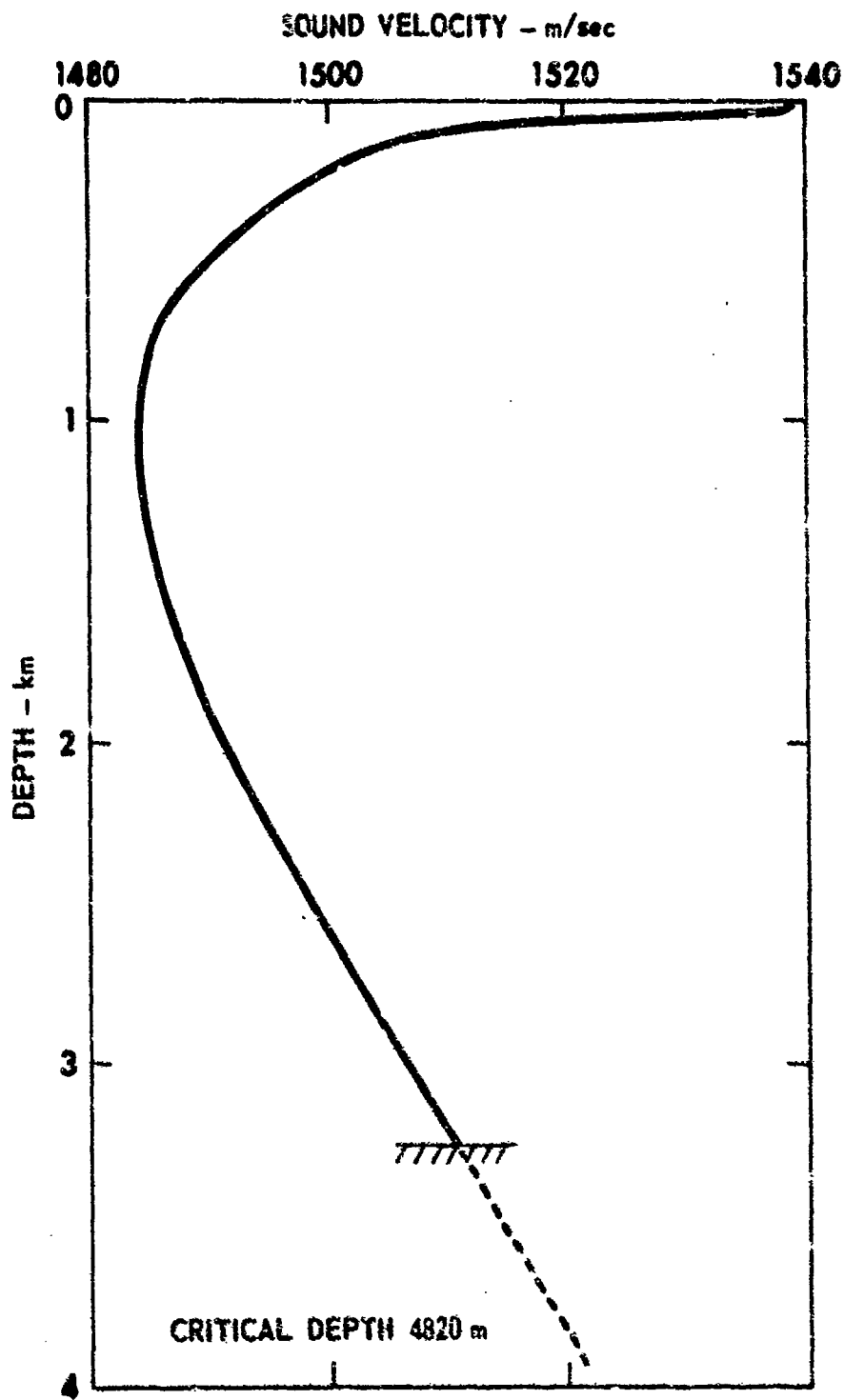


FIGURE III-2  
SOUND VELOCITY PROFILE, TYPICAL OF REGION



concentration of shipping along the coastline. Useful data on the noise distribution from these concentrated, shallow water sources will also be obtained.

#### IV. EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

With the purpose of the experiment established, and with a location selected, a range of expected acoustic behavior was then used to design the experiment. The first step consisted of using the available SVP, Fig. III-2, and available bottom loss data to obtain propagation loss predictions using FACT. Four SUS depths and four receiver depths are used. The resulting propagation loss runs for two expected extremes of bottom type (i.e., approximately 5 dB bottom loss at all grazing angles and a change of 0 to 5 dB between  $0^\circ$  and  $5^\circ$  grazing angle) are presented in Appendix A. For shallow sources and receivers, and high bottom loss, it is seen that extremely high propagation loss occurs and only short ranges can be expected. For less stringent conditions the predictions indicate the ACODAC systems will receive bottom interaction signals to several hundred miles. Tentative selection of ACODAC spacing and measurement distances were made based on those predictions.

For these ranges and for the available SVP data, families of eigenrays were examined to determine if the particular geometry allowed time resolution of individual arrivals and to determine the range of grazing angles for which data would be analyzed and the number of bottom interactions which would occur. Examples of specific eigenrays are shown in Figs. IV-1, IV-2, and IV-3. Summaries of the behavior of the eigenrays are tabulated in Appendix B.

The eigenray parameters are summarized in Fig. IV-4, which shows bottom reflection angle versus range, and Fig. IV-5, which shows arrival time (relative to first arrival) versus range for specific propagation paths.

These sample predictions are intended to illustrate the steps taken to determine hydrophone depths, source depths, density and spacing of

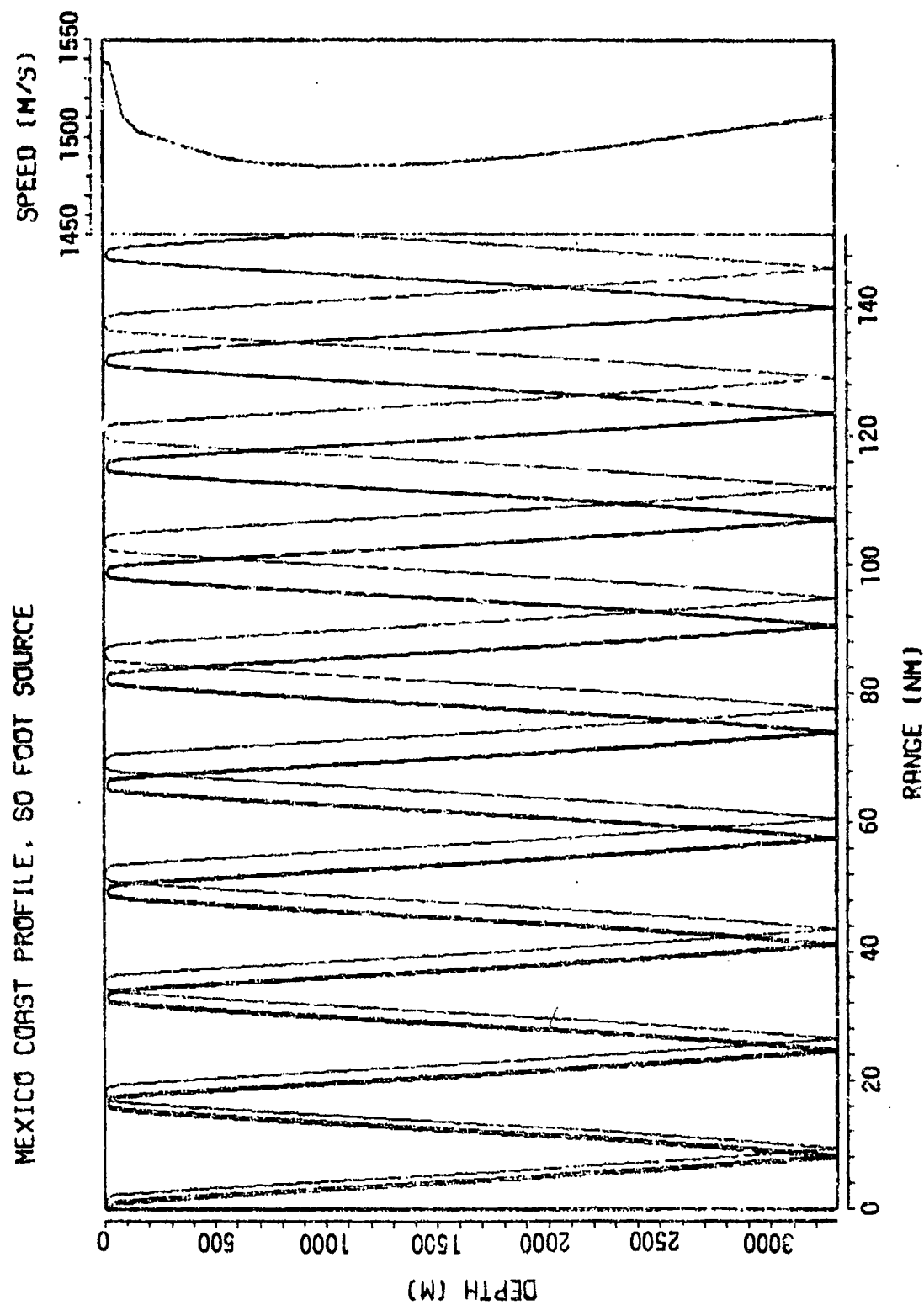


FIGURE IV-1  
EIGENRAY DIAGRAM, MINIMUM DEEP TURNINGS

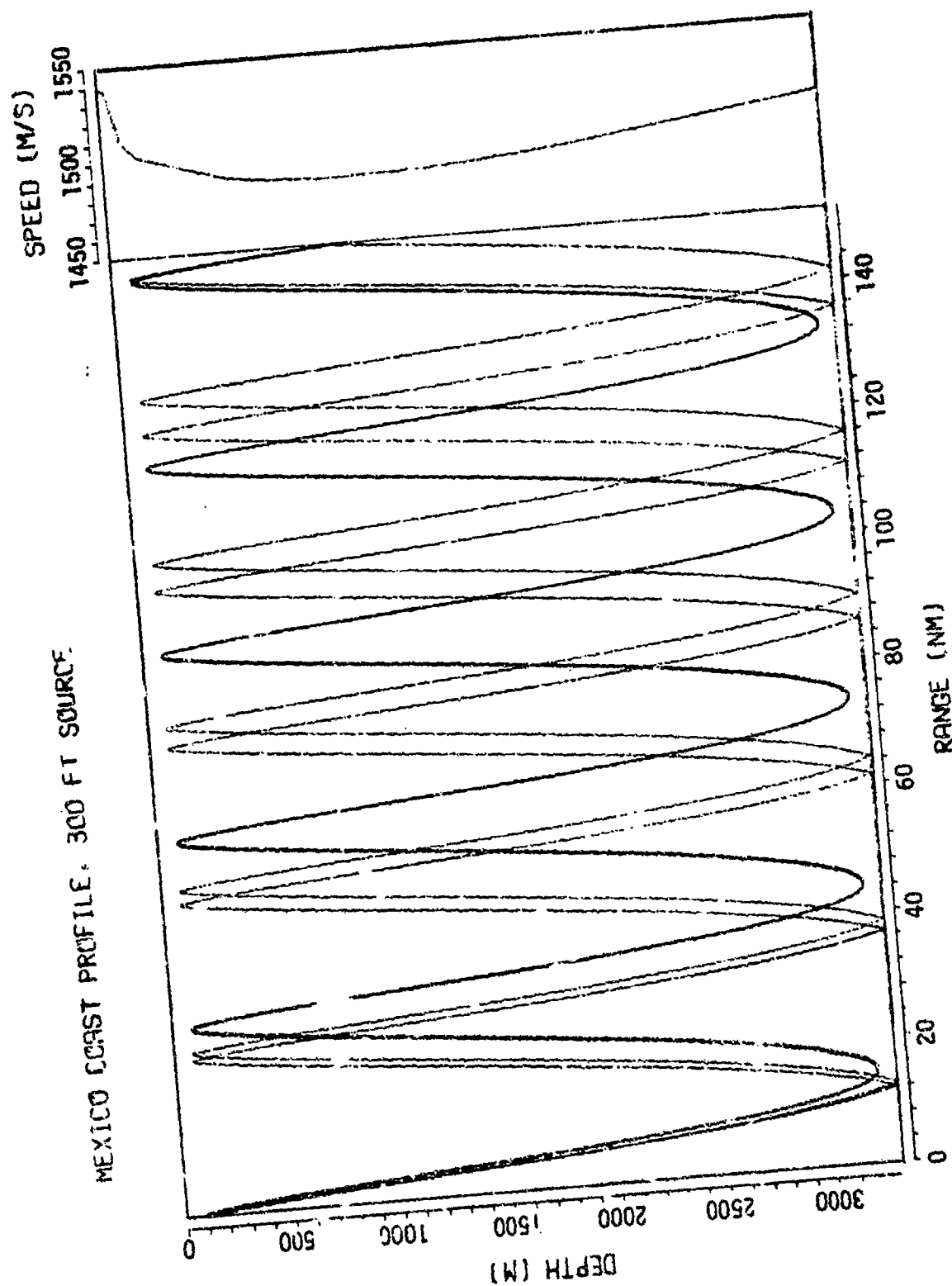


FIGURE IV-2  
EIGENRAY DIAGRAM, DEEP REFRACTED AND BOTTOM REFLECTED RAYS

MEXICO COAST PROFILE - 800 FT SOURCE

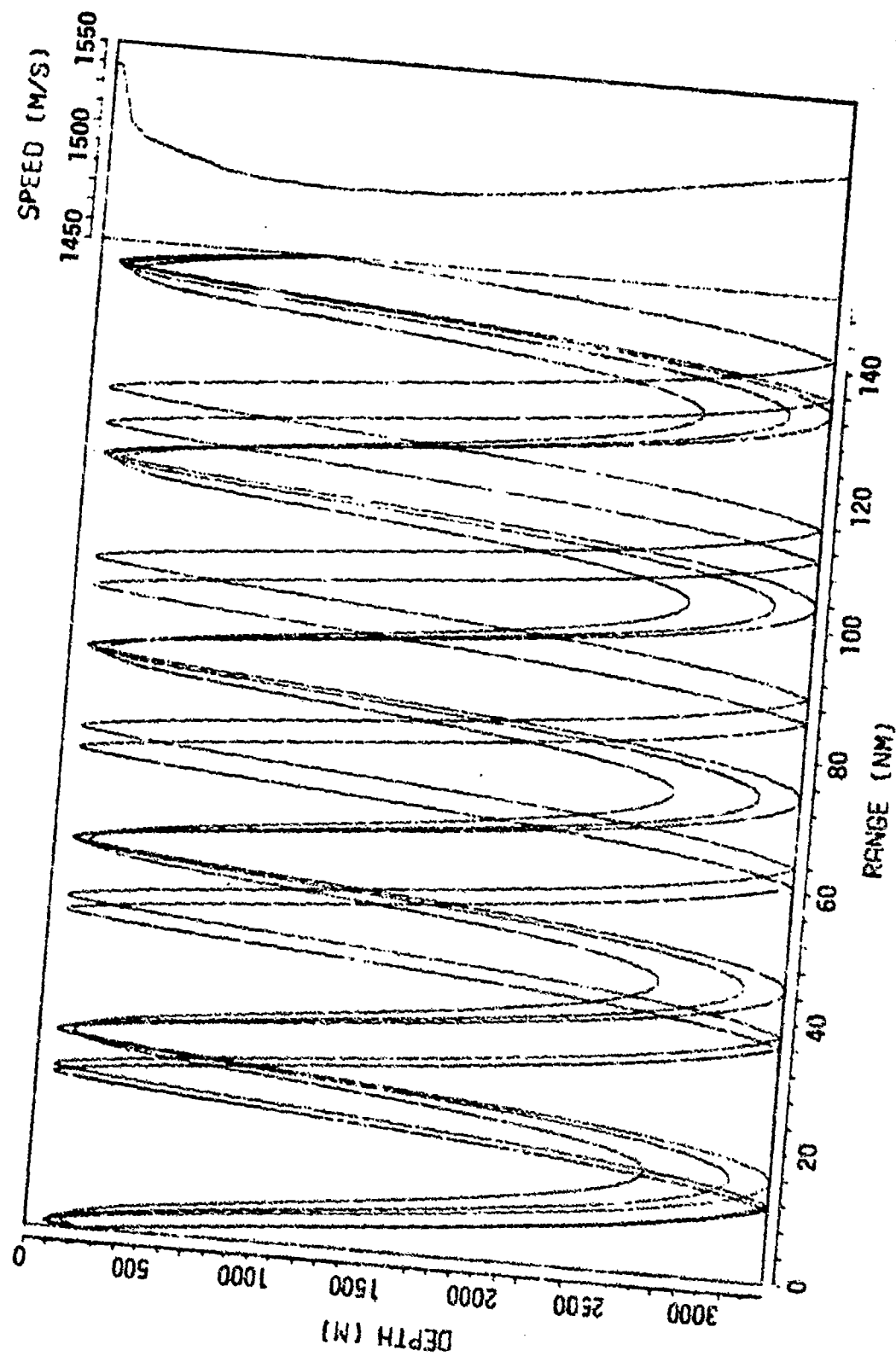


FIGURE IV-3  
EIGENRAY DIAGRAM DEEP SOURCE

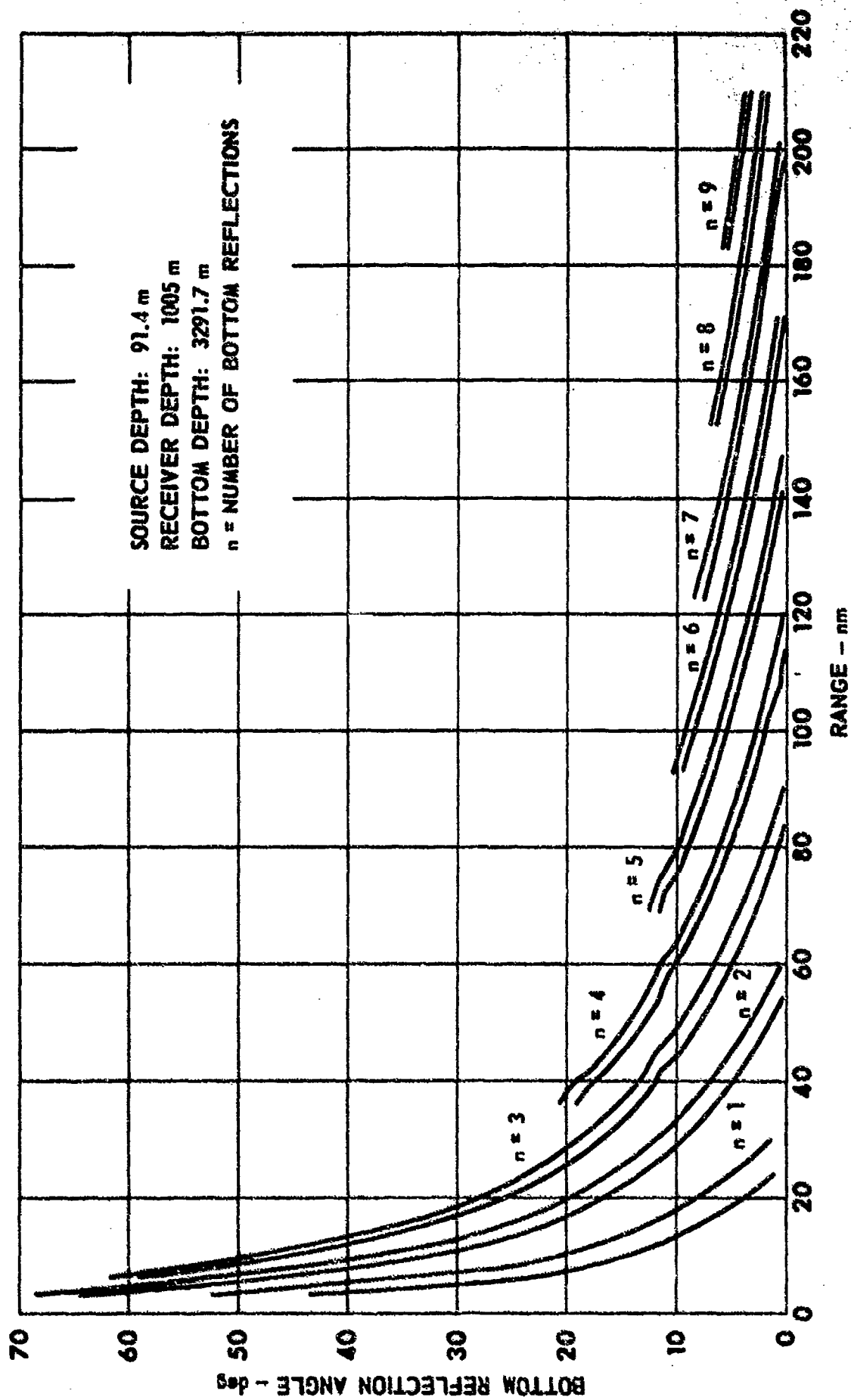
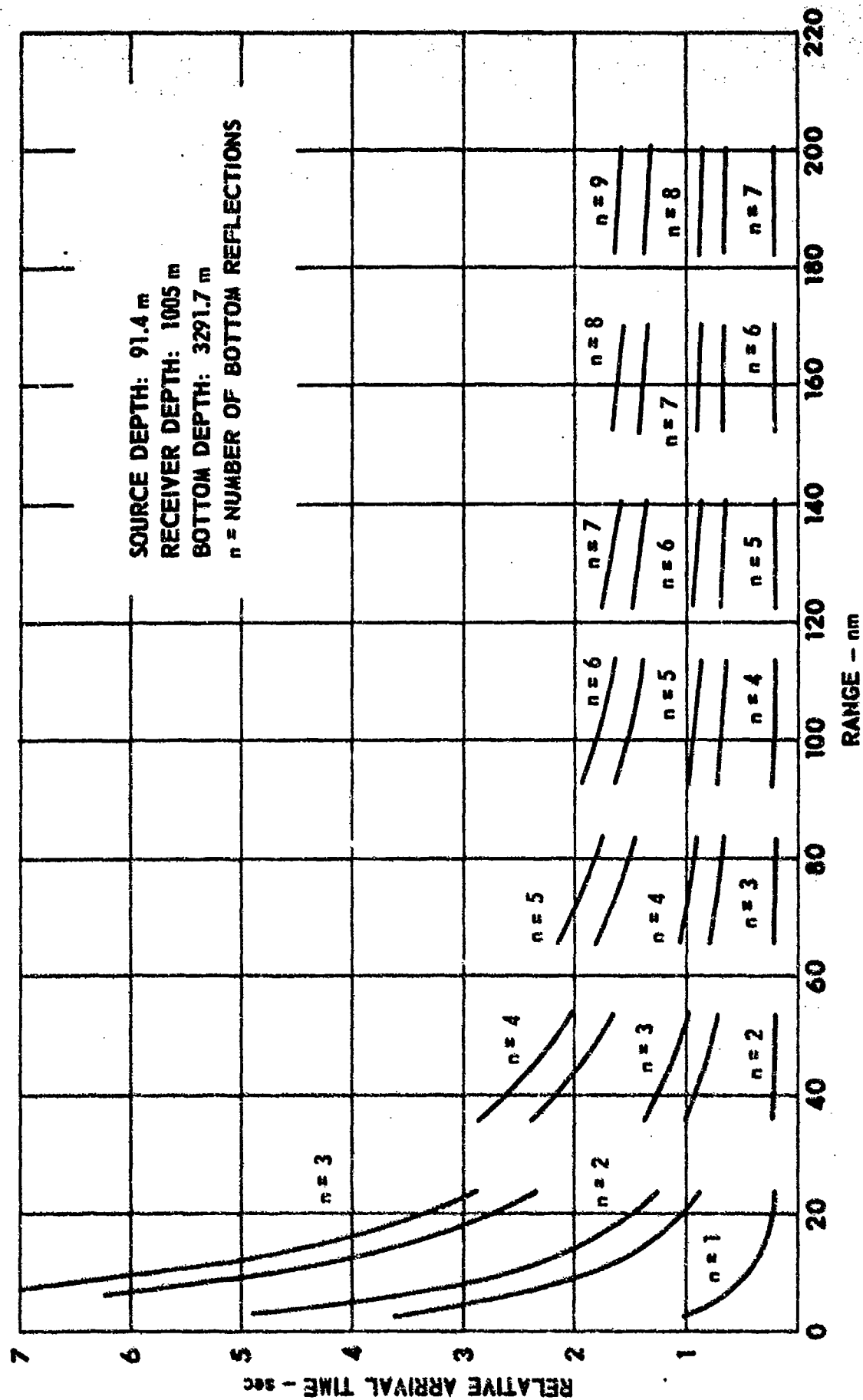


FIGURE IV -4  
 EIGENRAY BOTTOM REFLECTION ANGLE VERSUS RANGE

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**FIGURE IV-5**  
**RELATIVE ARRIVAL TIME OF MULTIPATHS VERSUS RANGE**

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shots, separation of ACODAC systems, levels of signals to be received, and dynamic range required at the receiving system. The final experimental design described in the next section is a result of several repetitions of this design cycle.



## V. EXPERIMENTAL DETAIL

### Site and Track Detail

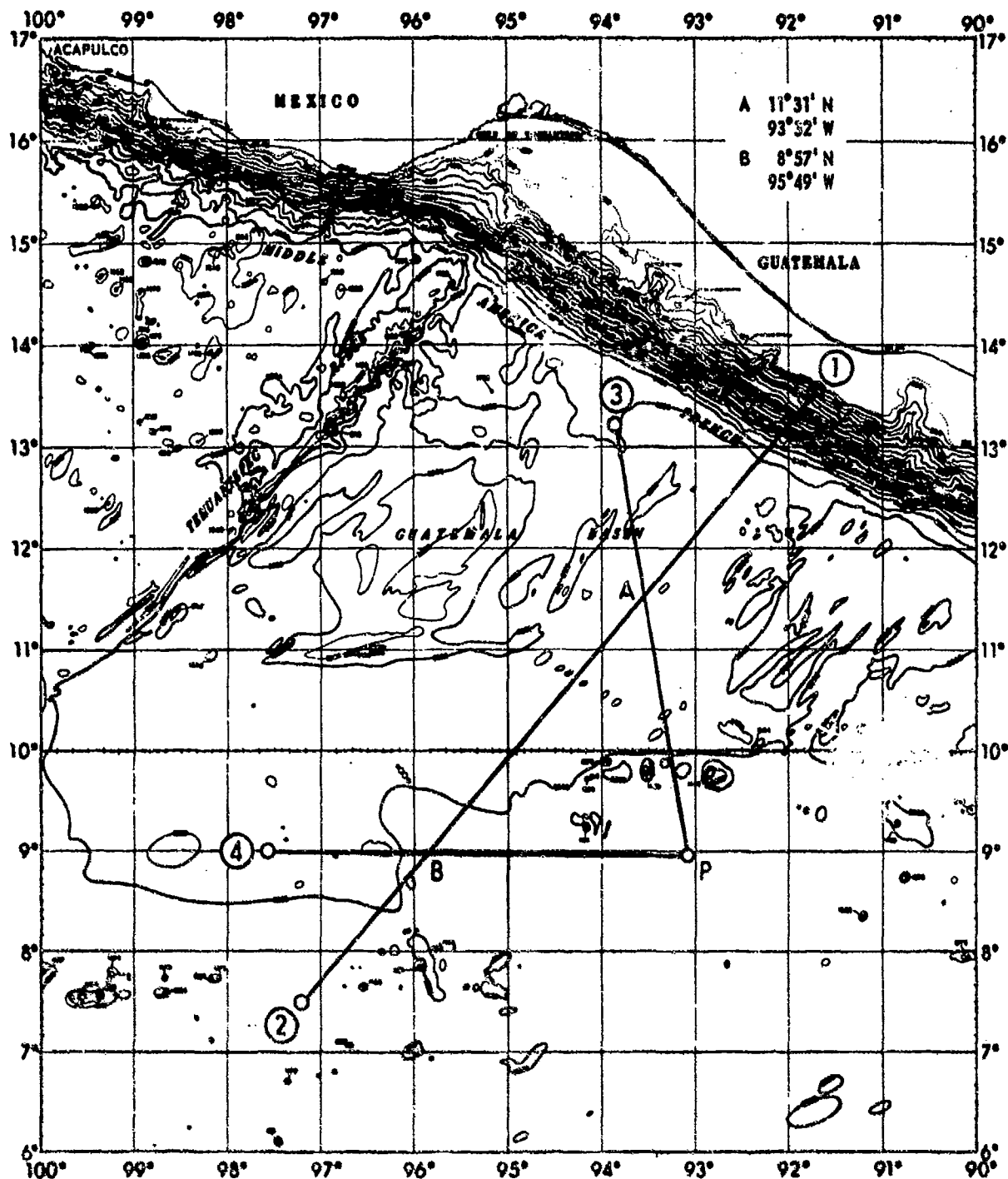
The experiment will use two ACODAC systems deployed as shown in Fig. V-1. The coordinates for ACODAC Site A are  $11^{\circ}31'N$ ,  $93^{\circ}32'W$  and for Site B are  $8^{\circ}57'N$ ,  $95^{\circ}49'W$ . A and B are separated by 206 miles.

The experiment will use two ship tracks. The first is the straight line track between the two sites extending up the slope to the 100 fathom contour. The second track crosses the first track at approximately  $60^{\circ}$  at Site A and turns to recross at approximately the same angle at Site B. The track from 1 to 2 (Fig. V-1) is approximately 480 miles. The track from 3 to 4 via P is 525 miles.

The purpose of making two runs is to collect data on as many bottom interactions as source level and receiver sensitivity will permit for this bottom area, and also to ensure reasonable duplication in the data. For example, the run ending at 2 is near the expected maximum range for System B and outside the expected range for System A. However, if the bottom loss is less than expected, then the range from 2 to System A will allow maximum number of bottom interactions to be measured. Also, there are useful results for system comparisons and analysis when energy from one source is received on both systems (i.e., those portions of the runs between A and B). For all the deep shots (244 m, 610 m) and portions of the shallow shots (18 m, 91 m) both ACODACs will record the events. In the unlikely event one ACODAC fails, most of the ship track and SUS sources will still contribute to the experiment.

### SUS Deployment

Several factors influence the shot deployment pattern. To define the bottom loss versus grazing angle curve with reasonably fine resolution,



**FIGURE V.1**  
**TRACK CHART AND ACODAC LOCATIONS**  
**BOTTOM INTERACTION EXPERIMENT**

a high density of shots (small spacing between shots) is desirable, especially at short ranges. However, to keep the total number of shots used within reasonable bounds and to minimize the chance of reverberation from one shot interfering with reception of the next in a sequence, a minimum shot spacing had to be established.

A geometry frequently used for bottom loss measurement positions a receiver at 152 m (500 ft) depth and sources at 244 m (800 ft) depth deployed at ranges from near the receiver to 30 or 40 nm. Although the present bottom interaction experiment is designed to use several source depths and several receiver depths, to comply with this geometry one of the ACODAC hydrophones is to be at 152 m depth and one of the source depths is to be 244 m. Figure V-2 shows the bottom interaction angle versus range (out to 40 nm) for the first three bottom interacting multipaths. The relative arrival times shown in Fig. V-3 demonstrate that the various arrival orders will be separable in time during data processing. From the model results used to produce Fig. V-2, a shot separation of 1 nm for the 244 m depth sources results in an angular separation of measurements less than  $3^\circ$  beyond 8 nm range (bottom interaction angles below  $25^\circ$ ) for the single deep turning multipath. For shorter ranges, angular separation of measurements increases to about  $7^\circ$  at 4 nm range. The shot deployment pattern to be used provides for a high density of 244 m depth shots for the first 15 nm range either side of an ACODAC, a medium density of 244 m depth shots on out to 35 nm range, and a lower but acceptable density for greater ranges. The two shallowest depth shots (18 m and 91 m) are to be deployed at the greater spacing ( $\sim 3.3$  nm) for all range segments. The deepest shots, which provide calibration information for reduction of the other data, will be detonated at 3.3 nm range increments for some range segments and at 10 nm increments for other range segments. Figure V-4 illustrates the four shot deployment patterns to be used and Fig. V-5 shows the range segment for which each pattern is to be used. Although the shots for all depths are shown at the same times in Fig. V-4, the actual deployment sequence is controlled by the various times between deployment and detonation for the different

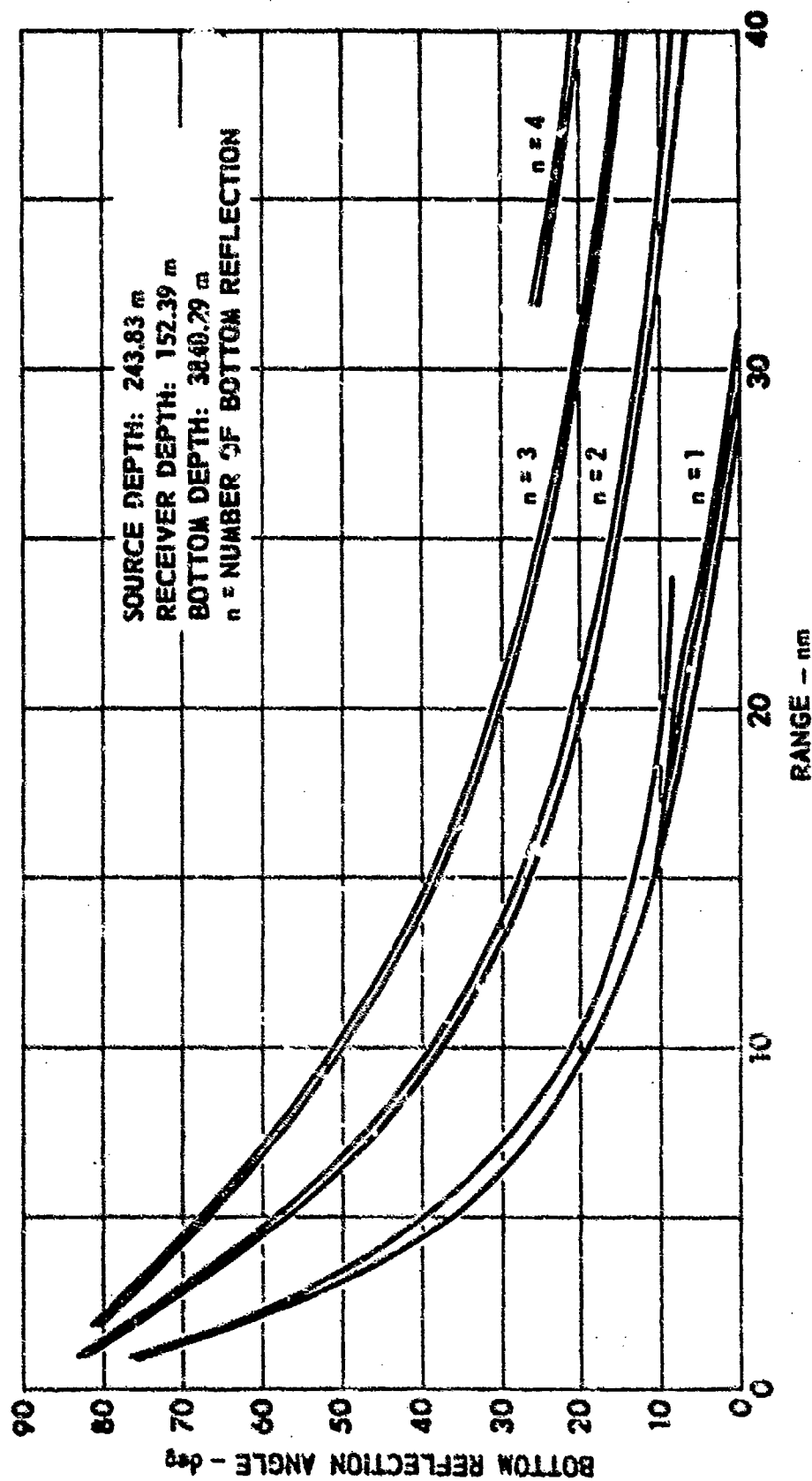


FIGURE V-2  
 EIGENRAY BOTTOM REFLECTION ANGLE VERSUS RANGE  
 (EXPANDED SHORT RANGE)

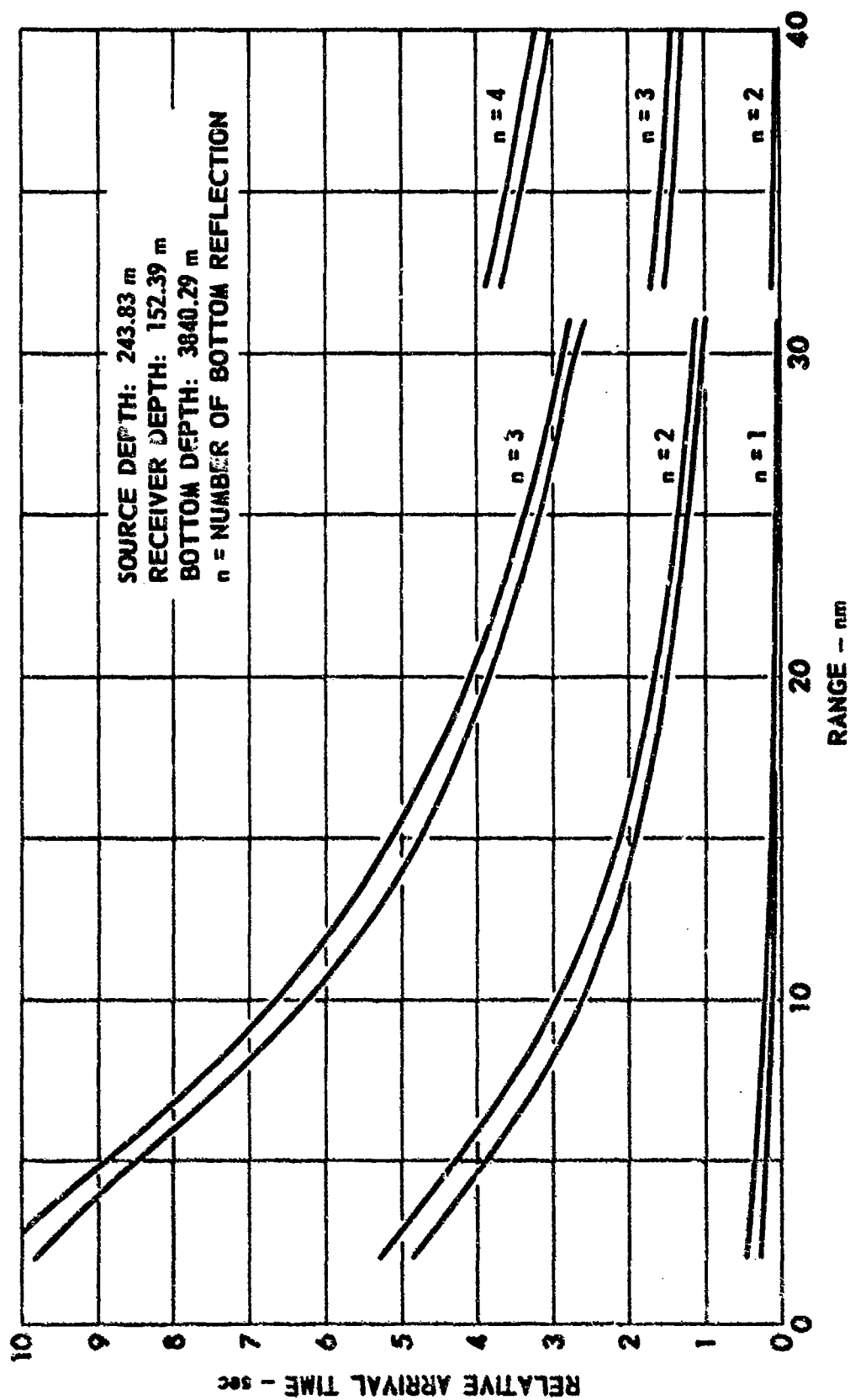


FIGURE V-3  
 RELATIVE ARRIVAL TIME OF MULTIPATHS VERSUS RANGE  
 (EXPANDED SHORT RANGE)

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| Density<br>Pattern | Depth<br>(m) | Time (min) |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | Shots/h |    |
|--------------------|--------------|------------|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------|----|
|                    |              | 0          | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50 | 55 |         | 60 |
| 1                  | 18           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 91           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 244          | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 610          | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
| 2                  | 18           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 91           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 244          | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 610          | X          |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | X       | 1  |
| 3                  | 18           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 91           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 244          | X          |   | X  |    | X  |    | X  |    | X  |    | X  |    | X       | 6  |
|                    | 610          | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
| 4                  | 18           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 91           | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |
|                    | 244          | X          | X | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X  | X       | 12 |
|                    | 610          | X          |   |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X  |    |    |    | X       | 3  |

FIGURE V-4

SHOT DENSITIES

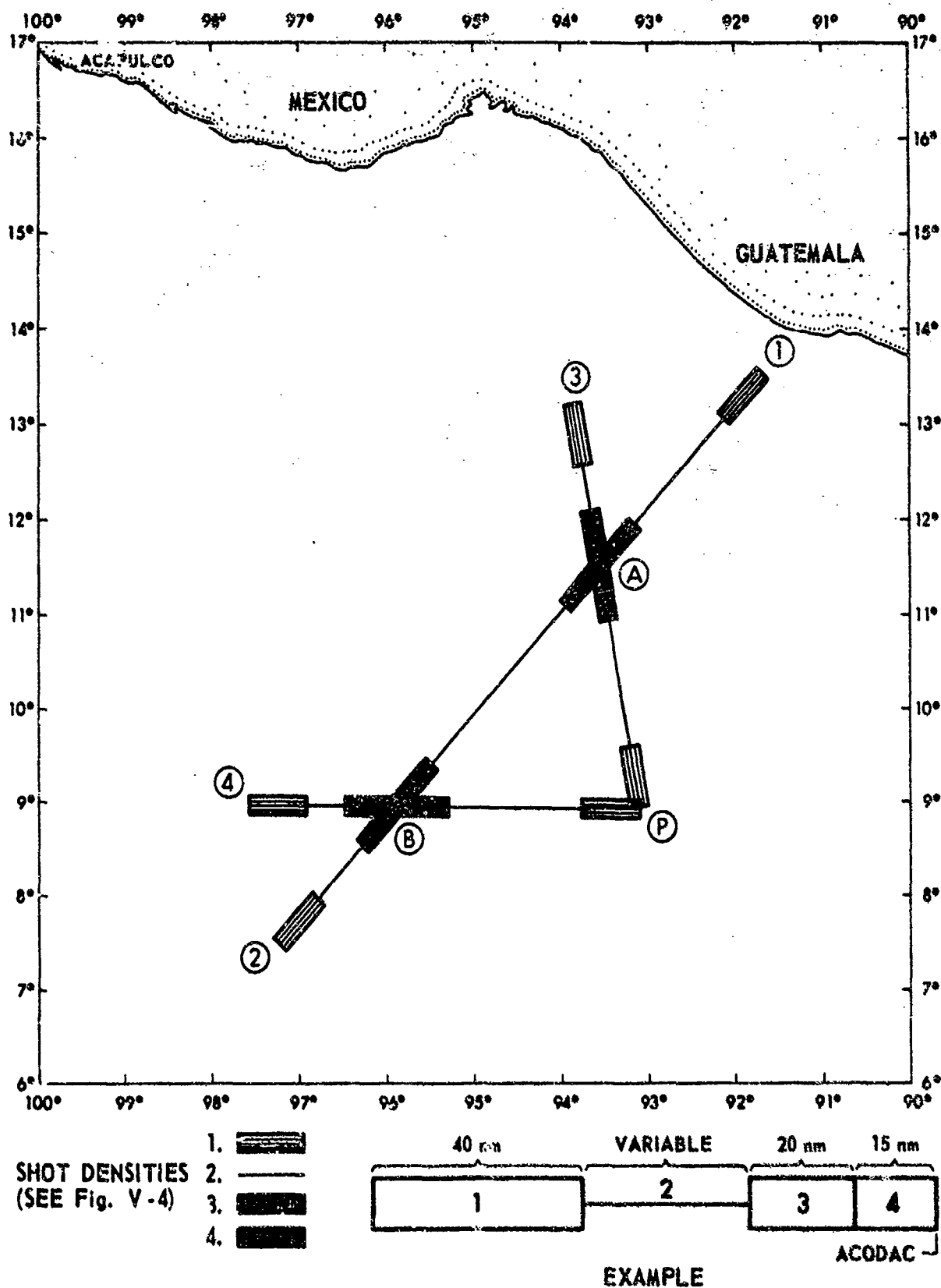


FIGURE Y-5  
SUS DEPLOYMENT SCHEDULE TRACK DETAIL

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detonation depths. The sink rates and detonation depths result in the time delays shown in Table V-1. In order to minimize the probability of overlap of shot signals, the deployment schedule to be used is a 60 ft (18 m) SUS followed 60 sec later by a 300 ft (91 m) SUS followed 60 sec later by a simultaneous deployment of an 800 ft (244 m) and a 2000 ft (610 m) SUS. This basic pattern is modified to allow for the four different deployment patterns to be used, as shown in Tables V-2 through V-5. The total SUS requirements are as follows: 60 ft, 350; 300 ft, 350; 800 ft, 500; and 2000 ft, 250.

#### CW Deployment

The CW tow will be conducted along the track from point 1 to point 2 (see Fig. V-1) and will pass over ACODACs at Site A and Site B. Towing speed will be 5 kt, requiring 98 h to complete the tow. The Vibroseis system allows towing two sources simultaneously at two different depths. Each source can transmit two frequencies simultaneously; thus a total of four frequencies can be transmitted. During the CW tow for this experiment, four different frequencies over the band from 10 to 300 Hz will be transmitted with a schedule of 50 min on and 10 min off each hour. A high and a low frequency, in the stated band, will be selected for both tow depths. The shallow tow depth will be 60 ft while the deeper tow depth will be 300 ft, allowing comparison of propagation measured during the tow with that measured during the SUS runs. Frequencies for the CW source will be chosen to facilitate this comparison.

#### ACODAC Configuration

Figure V-6 is a schematic of the ACODAC configuration. The 13 receivers are clustered in four groups of three hydrophones with the remaining hydrophone located adjacent to the bottom.



TABLE V-1

Time Between Deployment and Detonation  
for Various SUS Depths

| Shot Detonation<br>Depth (ft)/(m) | Relative Detonation Time<br>(after deployment) (sec)     |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| 60/18                             | 4 sec through the water (to 6 sec<br>with spoiler plate) |
| 300/91                            | 26   |
| 800/244                           | 46   |
| 2000/610                          | 120  |

TABLE V-2

## Shot Deployment Schedule for each Shot Density

Density 1:

| <u>Starting<br/>on the Hour<br/>Time</u> | <u>Deploy SUS,<br/>Depth (ft)</u> | <u>Starting<br/>on the Half Hour<br/>Time</u> |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 0000                                     | 60                                | 0030  |
| 0001                                     | 300                               | 0031  |
| 0002                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0032  |
| 0020                                     | 60                                | 0050  |
| 0021                                     | 300                               | 0051  |
| 0022                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0052  |
| 0040                                     | 60                                | 0110  |
| 0041                                     | 300                               | 0111  |
| 0042                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0112  |

TABLE V-3

## Shot Deployment Schedule for Each Shot Density

Density 2:

| <u>Starting<br/>on the Hour<br/>Time</u> | <u>Deploy SUS,<br/>Depth (ft)</u> | <u>Starting<br/>on the Half Hour<br/>Time</u> |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 0000                                     | 60                                | 0030  |
| 0001                                     | 300                               | 0031  |
| 0002                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0032  |
| 0020                                     | 60                                | 0050  |
| 0021                                     | 300                               | 0051  |
| 0022                                     | 800 only                          | 0052  |
| 0040                                     | 60                                | 0110  |
| 0041                                     | 300                               | 0111  |
| 0042                                     | 800 only                          | 0112  |

TABLE V-4

## Shot Deployment Schedule for Each Shot Density

Density 3:

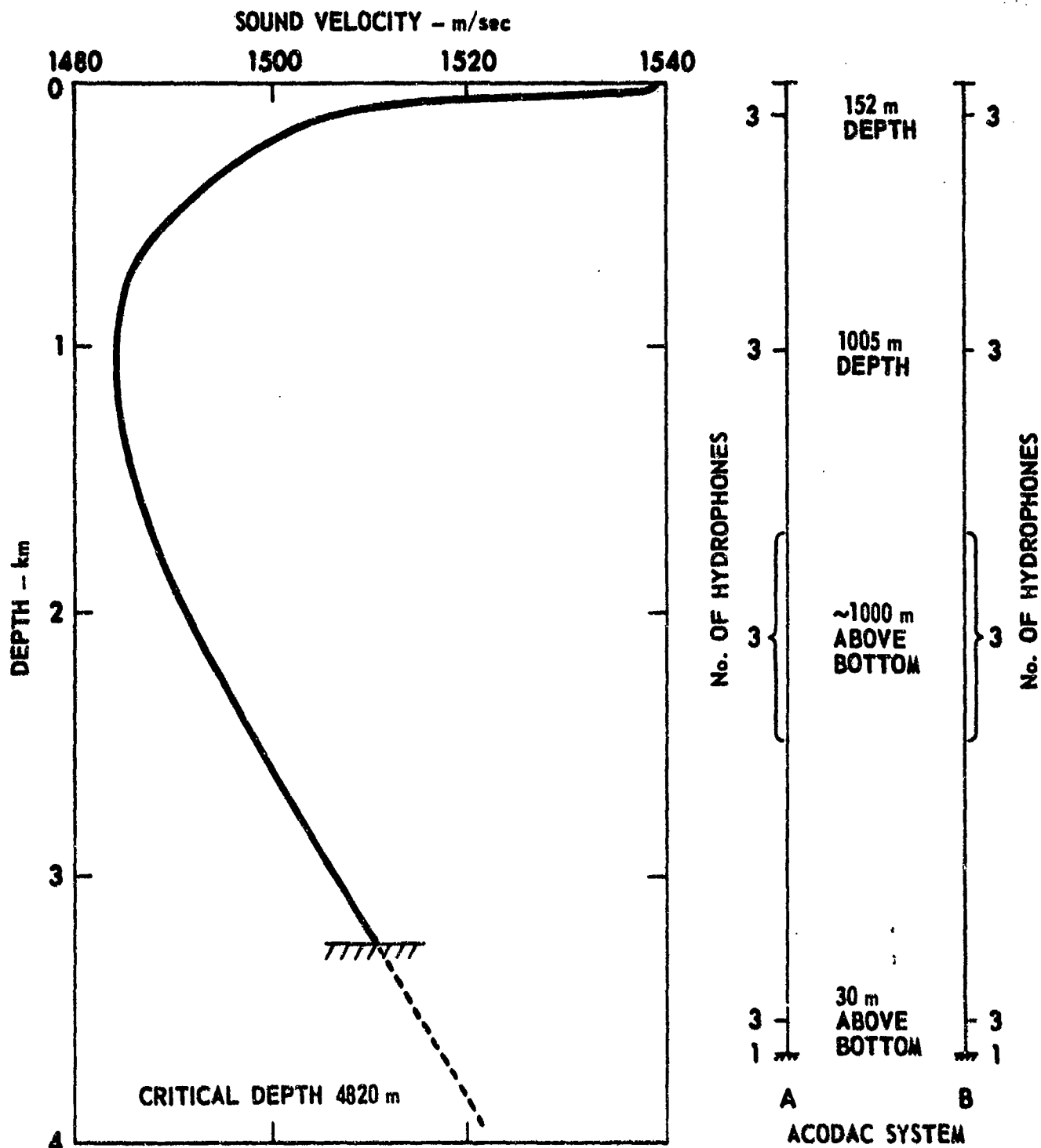
| <u>Starting<br/>on the Hour<br/>Time</u> | <u>Deploy SUS,<br/>Depth (ft)</u> | <u>Starting<br/>on the Half Hour<br/>Time</u> |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 0000                                     | 60                                | 0030  |
| 0001                                     | 300                               | 0031  |
| 0002                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0032  |
| 0012                                     | 800 only                          | 0042  |
| 0020                                     | 60                                | 0050  |
| 0021                                     | 300                               | 0051  |
| 0022                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0052  |
| 0032                                     | 800 only                          | 0102  |
| 0040                                     | 60                                | 0110  |
| 0041                                     | 300                               | 0111  |
| 0042                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0112  |
| 0052                                     | 800 only                          | 0122  |

TABLE V-5

## Shot Deployment Schedule for Each Shot Density

Density 4:

| <u>Starting<br/>on the Hour<br/>Time</u> | <u>Deploy SUS,<br/>Depth (ft)</u> | <u>Starting<br/>on the Half Hour<br/>Time</u> |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 0000                                     | 60                                | 0030  |
| 0001                                     | 300                               | 0031  |
| 0002                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0032  |
| 0007                                     | 800 only                          | 0037  |
| 0012                                     | 800 only                          | 0042  |
| 0017                                     | 800 only                          | 0047  |
| 0020                                     | 60                                | 0050  |
| 0021                                     | 300                               | 0051  |
| 0022                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0052  |
| 0027                                     | 800 only                          | 0057  |
| 0032                                     | 800 only                          | 0102  |
| 0037                                     | 800 only                          | 0107  |
| 0040                                     | 60                                | 0110  |
| 0041                                     | 300                               | 0111  |
| 0042                                     | 800 and 2000                      | 0112  |
| 0047                                     | 800 only                          | 0117  |
| 0052                                     | 800 only                          | 0122  |
| 0057                                     | 800 only                          | 0127  |



**FIGURE Y-6  
ACODAC CONFIGURATION**

In addition to the 152 m (500 ft) receiver depth, as shown in Fig. V-6 hydrophones will be placed at depths of 1005 m (near axis depth), 2840 m (about 1000 m above the bottom), and 3810 m (30 m above the bottom). This receiver configuration samples several important depths in the water column. It further ensures a variety of bottom interaction angles and arrival times from each shot, thus maximizing the range segments over which multipath separation and bottom loss analysis can be performed. The single bottom receiver will be configured to record bottom noise level.

Each of the three hydrophones at the four depths will be passed through a different preamplifier gain prior to recording, thus providing a large dynamic range for reception at each depth. The channel gains are adjusted to provide reception over the following sound pressure levels in the water at the hydrophone face:

| Channel                       | SPL Range dB re $\mu$ Pa |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Low Gain                      | 198 - 168                |
| Medium Gain                   | 168 - 138                |
| High Gain/<br>(Ambient Noise) | 138 - 108/<br>(108 - 78) |

As shown above, the low and medium channels are fixed gain, while the high gain (ambient noise) channel has two gain states and switches between the two in the usual manner of operation of the ACODACs. The low gain channels will allow reception of the SUS signals at ranges as short as 4 to 5 nm without overloading the recorder, while the other channels allow continuous definition of propagation details out to ranges experiencing much higher propagation loss.

All channels will use the maximum available bandwidth (10 Hz to 600 Hz) except the high gain/ambient noise channels which will be used to incorporate the necessary reference frequency and will have a useful bandwidth of 10 Hz to 300 Hz.

### Event Schedule

Table V-6 is a Master Event Schedule for the bottom interaction experiment. The SUS vessel will conduct the experiment totally with the exception of the use of a CW vessel to provide the four day CW tow (Event 252).

Table V-7 is the SUS vessel event schedule and Table V-8 is the CW vessel schedule. Table V-9 gives details of the XBT and STD schedule. The locations are shown in Fig. V-7. The locations of the wide angle reflections measurements as a supplement to subbottom profiling are shown in Fig. V-8.

Appendix C gives a list of organizations, personnel, and major equipments participating in the experiment. Appendix D gives additional detail of operational plans including radio frequencies, acoustic source frequencies, and schedules, etc.



TABLE 11-6. MASTER EVENT SCHEDULE SUMMARY

| EXERCISE TIME | EVENT NUMBER | SUS VESSEL  | CW VESSEL                   |
|---------------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 0             | 10           | Depart San Diego  | Depart San Diego            |
| 120           | 11           |   |                             |
| 144           | 20           | Arrive Acapulco   |                             |
| 166           | 30           | Depart Acapulco for exercise area                                 |                             |
| 224           | 40           | Wide angle reflection and subbottom profiling (Sites 2 to B)      |                             |
| 230           | 90           | Deploy ACODAC B   |                             |
| 255           | 100          | Wide angle reflection and subbottom profiling (Sites B to P to A) |                             |
| 306           | 210          | Deploy ACODAC A   |                             |
| 336           | 220          | Wide angle reflection and subbottom profiling (Sites A to 1)      |                             |
| 348           | 251          | ACODAC's turn on  | Begin CW Tow (Sites 2 to 1) |
| 348           | 252          |   |                             |
| 375           | 330          | Wide angle reflection and subbottom profiling (Sites 3 to A)      |                             |
| 446           | 430          | Begin SUS run (Sites 2 to 1)                                      |                             |
| 496           | 460          | End SUS run   | End CW Tow                  |
| 513           | 490          | Begin SUS run (Sites 3 to P to 4)                                 |                             |
| 521           | 491          |   |                             |
| 569           | 520          | End SUS run   | Arrive Balboa, Panama       |
| 570           | 530          | Wide angle reflection and subbottom profiling (Sites 4 to B)      |                             |
| 590           | 610          | Retrieve ACODAC B   |                             |

TABLE V-6, CONTINUED

| EXERCISE TIME | EVENT NUMBER | SUS VESSEL  | CW VESSEL |
|---------------|--------------|---|-----------|
| 602           | 620          | Wide angle reflection and subbottom pro-filing (Sitas B to A) |           |
| 632           | 720          | Retrieve ACODAC A   |           |
| 694           | 740          | Arrive Acapulco   |           |
| 885           | 760          | Arrive San Diego  |           |

TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT NUMBER | EXERCISE TIME HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION  | COURSE | SOA | POSITION                           | TIME ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|--------------|---------------------|--|--------|-----|------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| 10           | 0                   | Depart NUC Dock (San Diego) and transit to Acapulco                    | AR     | 10  | San Diego<br>32°41'N -<br>117°14'W | 144          | 1420     |
| 20           | 144                 | Arrive Acapulco - In port  | -      | -   | Acapulco<br>16°50'N -<br>99°53'W   | 22           |          |
| 30           | 166                 | Depart Acapulco and transit to Site 2                                  | AR     | 10  |                                    | 58           | 580      |
| 40           | 224                 | Arrive Site 2 and rig air gun and streamer                             |        |     | 7°27'N -<br>97°06'W                | 1            |          |
| 50           | 225                 | Transit to WR1 and COMEX sub-bottom profiling                          | 041    | 10  |                                    | 4            | 40       |
| 60           | 229                 | Arrive WR1 slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run              | 041    | 5   | 7°57'N -<br>96°40'W                | 4            | 20       |
| 70           | 233                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to Site B                | 041    | 10  | 8°12'N -<br>96°27'W                | 6            | 60       |
| 80           | 239                 | Arrive Site B and retrieve air gun and streamer                        | -      | -   | 8°57'N -<br>95°48'W                | 1            | -        |
| 90           | 240                 | Begin site survey - Take STD and XBTs (1-5 and 1-7); and deploy ACORAC |        |     |                                    | 25           | -        |
| 100          | 265                 | Rig air gun and streamer; transit to WR2 and COMEX subbottom profiling | 090    | 10  | -                                  | 5            | 47       |
| 110          | 270                 | Arrive WR2 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run          | 090    | 5   | 8°57'N -<br>95°00'W                | 4            | 20       |

TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT NUMBER | EXERCISE TIME HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION  | COURSE SOA | POSITION | TIME ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|--------------|---------------------|--|------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| 120          | 274                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR3                       | 090        | 10       | 4            | 40       |
| 130          | 278                 | Arrive WR2 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run              | 090        | 5        | 4            | 20       |
| 140          | 282                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to Site P                    | 090        | 10       | 4            | 36       |
| 150          | 286                 | Arrive Site P - Change course to 350 and transit to WR4                    | 350        | -        | 3            | 33       |
| 160          | 289                 | Arrive WR4 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run              | 350        | 5        | 4            | 20       |
| 170          | 293                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR5                       | 350        | 10       | 4            | 41       |
| 180          | 297                 | Arrive WR5 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run              | 350        | 5        | 4            | 20       |
| 190          | 301                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to Site A                    | 350        | 10       | 4            | 41       |
| 200          | 305                 | Arrive Site A - Retrieve air gun and streamer                              | -          | -        | 1            | -        |
| 210          | 306                 | Begin Site Survey - Take STD and XBTs (T-5 and T-7) and deploy ACODAC      | -          | -        | 30           | -        |
| 220          | 336                 | Rig air gun and streamer and transit to WR6 and COMEX sub-bottom profiling | 041        | 10       | 3            | 30       |

TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT NUMBER | EXERCISE TIME HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION   | COURSE | SOA | POSITION          | TIME ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|--------------|---------------------|---|--------|-----|-------------------|--------------|----------|
| 230          | 339                 | Arrive WR6 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                               | 041    | 5   | 11°53'N - 93°11'W | 4            | 20       |
| 240          | 343                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR7  | 041    | 10  | 12°08'N - 92°58'W | 2            | 20       |
| 250          | 345                 | Arrive WR7 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                               | 041    | 5   | 12°22'N - 92°45'W | 4            | 20       |
| 251          | 348                 | ACOBAC turn "ON"  |        |     |                   |              |          |
| 260          | 349                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR8  | 041    | 10  | 12°37'N - 92°32'W | 2            | 20       |
| 270          | 351                 | Arrive WR8 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                               | 041    | 5   | 12°52'N - 92°18'W | 4            | 20       |
| 280          | 355                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR9  | 041    | 10  | 13°07'N - 92°05'W | 2            | 20       |
| 290          | 357                 | Arrive WR9 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                               | 041    | 5   | 13°22'N - 91°52'W | 3            | 18       |
| 300          | 360                 | Arrive Site 1 and retrieve air gun and streamer   |        |     | 13°36'N - 91°39'W | 1            |          |
| 310          | 361                 | Take STD and XBT (T-7)  |        |     |                   | 1            |          |
| 320          | 362                 | Transit to Site 3   | 258    | 10  |                   | 13           | 130      |
| 330          | 375                 | Arrive Site 3 and rig air gun and streamer; COMEX subbottom profiling from Site 3 to Site A | 170    | 10  | 13°10'N - 93°48'W | 8            | 80       |
| 340          | 383                 | Arrive Site A/WR10 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX                              | 170    | 5   | 11°51'N - 93°34'W | 2            | 10       |

TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT<br>NUMBER | EXERCISE<br>TIME<br>HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION   | COURSE | SOA | POSITION          | TIME<br>ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---|--------|-----|-------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 350             | 385                       | Arrive WR11 and deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                              | 170    | 5   | 11°41'N - 93°33'W | 2               | 10       |
| 360             | 387                       | Arrive Site A/WR12 and change course to 221; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run | 221    | 5   | 11°31'N - 93°32'W | 2               | 10       |
| 370             | 389                       | Arrive WR13 and deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                              | 221    | 5   | 11°23'N - 93°38'W | 2               | 10       |
| 380             | 391                       | FINEX WR run and retrieve air gun and streamer                                | -      | -   | 11°16'N - 93°45'W | 1               |          |
| 390             | 392                       | Transit to Site 4   | 239    | 10  | 11°16'N - 93°45'W | 27              | 266      |
| 400             | 419                       | Arrive Site 4 and take STD and XBTs (T-5 and T-7)                             |        |     | 8°57'N - 97°30'W  | 3               |          |
| 410             | 422                       | Transit to Site 2   | 165    | 10  |                   | 9               | 92       |
| 420             | 431                       | Arrive Site 2 and take STD and XBTs (T-5 and T-7)                             |        |     | 7°27'N - 97°06'W  | 3               |          |
| 421             | 434                       | DAFA  |        |     |                   | 12              |          |
| 430             | 446                       | Rig shot streamer and COMEX SUS run from Site 2 to Site C                     | 041    | 10  |                   | 22              | 222      |
| 440             | 468                       | Arrive Site C and COMEX 24 shots  | -      | -   | 10°14'N - 94°39'W | 1               | -        |
| 450             | 469                       | COMEX SUS run from Site C to Site 1   | 041    | 10  |                   | 27              | 269      |

TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT NUMBER | EXERCISE TIME HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION  | COURSE | SOA | POSITION          | TIME ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|--------------|---------------------|--|--------|-----|-------------------|--------------|----------|
| 460          | 496                 | Arrive Site 1 FINEX SUS run and retrieve streamer                                |        |     | 13°36'N - 91°39'W | 1            |          |
| 470          | 497                 | Transit to Site 3  | 258    | 10  |                   | 13           | 130      |
| 480          | 510                 | Arrive Site 3 and take STD and XBTs (T-5 and T-7)                                |        |     | 13°10'N - 93°48'W | 3            |          |
| 490          | 513                 | Rig shot streamer COMEX SUS run from Site 3 to Site P                            | 170    | 10  |                   | 26           | 257      |
| 500          | 539                 | Arrive Site P and take STD and XBTs (T-5 and T-7)                                |        |     | 8°57'N - 93°04'W  | 3            |          |
| 510          | 542                 | COMEX SUS run to Site 4  | 270    | 10  |                   | 27           | 266      |
| 520          | 569                 | Arrive Site 4 and retrieve shot streamer; rig air gun and streamer               |        |     | 8°57'N - 97°30'W  | 1            |          |
| 530          | 570                 | COMEX subbottom profiling and transit to WR14                                    | 090    | 10  |                   | 3            | 30       |
| 540          | 573                 | Arrive WR14 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                   | 090    | 5   | 8°57'N - 97°00'W  | 4            | 20       |
| 550          | 577                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SDA and transit to WR15                            | 090    | 10  | 8°57'N - 96°40'W  | 3            | 32       |
| 560          | 580                 | Arrive WR15 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run                   | 090    | 5   | 8°57'N - 96°07'W  | 2            | 10       |
| 570          | 582                 | Arrive WR16 and deploy sonobuoy and COMEX CW run                                 | 090    | 5   | 8°57'N - 95°57'W  | 2            | 10       |
| 580          | 584                 | Arrive Site B and WR17-Change course to 041 and deploy sonobuoy and COMEX CW run | 041    | 5   | 8°57'N - 95°48'W  | 2            | 10       |

TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT NUMBER | EXERCISE TIME HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION  | COURSE | SOA | POSITION          | TIME ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|--------------|---------------------|--|--------|-----|-------------------|--------------|----------|
| 590          | 586                 | Arrive WR18 and deploy sonobuoy and COMEX CW run               | 041    | 5   | 9°05'N - 95°41'W  | 2            | 10       |
| 600          | 588                 | FINEX CW run and retrieve air gun and transit to Site B        | 221    | 10  | 9°12'N - 95°34'W  | 2            | 20       |
| 610          | 590                 | Arrive Site B and retrieve ACODAC                              |        |     | 8°57'N - 95°48'W  | 12           |          |
| 620          | 602                 | Rig air gun and streamer and COMEX subbottom profiling to WR19 | 041    | 10  |                   | 3            | 30       |
| 630          | 605                 | Arrive WR19 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy COMEX WR run     | 041    | 5   | 9°34'N - 95°14'W  | 4            | 20       |
| 640          | 609                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR20          | 041    | 10  | 9°49'N - 95°14'W  | 2            | 20       |
| 650          | 611                 | Arrive WR20 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run | 041    | 5   | 9°49'N - 95°01'W  | 4            | 20       |
| 660          | 615                 | FINEX WR run and resume to 10 kt SOA and transit to WR21       | 041    | 10  | 10°05'N - 95°48'W | 2            | 20       |
| 670          | 617                 | Arrive WR21 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy COMEX WR run     | 041    | 5   | 10°19'N - 94°35'W | 4            | 20       |
| 680          | 621                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt SOA and transit to WR22          | 041    | 10  | 10°34'N - 94°22'W | 2            | 20       |
| 690          | 623                 | Arrive WR22 and slow to 5 kt; deploy sonobuoy and COMEX WR run | 041    | 5   | 10°49'N - 94°09'W | 4            | 20       |
| 700          | 627                 | FINEX WR run and resume 10 kt and transit to Site A            | 041    | 10  | 11°04'N - 93°56'W | 4            | 37       |



TABLE V-7. SUS VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT<br>NUMBER | EXERCISE<br>TIME<br>HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION                               | COURSE | SOA | POSITION             | TIME<br>ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---|--------|-----|----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 710             | 631                       | Arrive Site A. Retrieve air gun<br>and streamer |        |     | 11°31'N -<br>93°32'W | 1               |          |
| 720             | 632                       | Retrieve ACODAC                                 |        |     |                      | 12              |          |
| 730             | 644                       | Transit to Acapulco                             | AR     | 10  |                      | 50              | 500      |
| 740             | 694                       | Arrive Acapulco. In port                        |        |     |                      | 48              |          |
| 750             | 742                       | Depart Acapulco and transit to<br>San Diego     | AR     | 10  |                      | 144             | 1420     |
| 760             | 886                       | Arrive NUC dock - San Diego                     |        |     |                      |                 |          |

TABLE V-8. CW VESSEL EVENT SCHEDULE

| EVENT<br>NUMBER | EXERCISE<br>TIME<br>HOURS | EVENT DESCRIPTION                              | COURSE | SOA | POSITION             | TIME<br>ALLOWED | DISTANCE |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--|--------|-----|----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 11              | 120                       | Depart San Diego and transit<br>to Site 2      | AR     | 10  |                      | 204             | 2040     |
| 211             | 324                       | Arrive Site 2 and rig sources                  |        |     |                      | 24              |          |
| 252             | 348                       | COMEX CW TOW from Site 2 to<br>Site 1          | 041    | 5   | 07°27'N -<br>97°06'W | 98              | 491      |
| 431             | 446                       | FINEX CW TOW at Site 1 and<br>retrieve sources | -      | -   | 13°36'N -<br>91°39'W | 6               |          |
| 451             | 452                       | Transit to Balboa, Panama                      | AR     | 10  |                      | 69              | 690      |
| 491             | 521                       | Arrive Balboa, Panama                          |        |     |                      |                 |          |

TABLE V-8  
XBT and STD Schedule

| <u>SITE</u> | <u>DISTANCE (nm)</u> | <u>COURSE</u> | <u>T-5</u> | <u>T-7</u> | <u>STD</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 2           | 0                    | ----          | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 30                   | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 50                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 100                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 2           | 120                  | 041           | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
| B           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| B           | 20                   | 090           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 47                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 62                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 87                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 112                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 127                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 157                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| B           | 163                  | 090           |            |            |            |
| P           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
|             | 22                   | 350           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 43                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 63                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 94                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 109                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 134                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| P           | 155                  | 350           |            |            |            |
| A           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| A           | 0                    |               | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
| A           | 30                   | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 45                   |               | ✓          |            |            |

TABLE V-9, cont.

| <u>SITE</u> | <u>DISTANCE (nm)</u> | <u>COURSE</u> | <u>T-5</u> | <u>T-7</u> | <u>STD</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 85                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 110                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 125                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 150                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| A           | 168                  | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
| 1           | 0                    |               | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
| 1           | 10                   | 258           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 40                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 100                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 1           | 130                  | 258           | ✓          |            |            |
| 3           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
|             | 30                   | 170           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 60                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 85                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 3           | 100                  | 170           | ✓          |            |            |
| A           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
|             | 15                   | 221           | ✓          |            |            |
| A           | 20                   | 221           |            |            |            |
| WR13        | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| WR13        | 10                   | 239           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 40                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 100                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 130                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 160                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 190                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 220                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 250                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| WR13        | 266                  | 239           | ✓          |            |            |
| 4           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |

TABLE V-9, cont.

| <u>SITE</u> | <u>DISTANCE (nm)</u> | <u>COURSE</u> | <u>T-5</u> | <u>T-7</u> | <u>STD</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 4           | 0                    |               | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
|             | 10                   | 165           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 41                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 72                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 4           | 92                   | 165           |            |            |            |
| 2           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| 2           | 0                    |               | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
| 2           | 10                   | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 40                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 100                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 130                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 160                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 190                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 2           | 222                  | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
| C           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
|             | 20                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 50                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 80                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 110                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 140                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 170                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 200                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 230                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 260                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| C           | 269                  | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
| 1           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| 1           | 10                   | 258           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 40                   |               | ✓          |            |            |

TABLE V-9, cont.

| <u>SITE</u> | <u>DISTANCE (nm)</u> | <u>COURSE</u> | <u>T-5</u> | <u>T-7</u> | <u>STD</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 100                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 1           | 130                  | 258           | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
| 3           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| 3           | 30                   | 170           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 60                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 90                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 120                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 150                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 180                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 210                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 240                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| 3           | 257                  | 170           |            |            |            |
| P           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| P           | 0                    |               | ✓          | ✓          | ✓          |
| P           | 10                   | 270           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 40                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 70                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 100                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 130                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 160                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 190                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 220                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 250                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| P           | 266                  | 270           |            |            |            |
| A           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
|             | 30                   | 090           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 45                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 72                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 92                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 102                  | 090           |            |            |            |
| B           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |

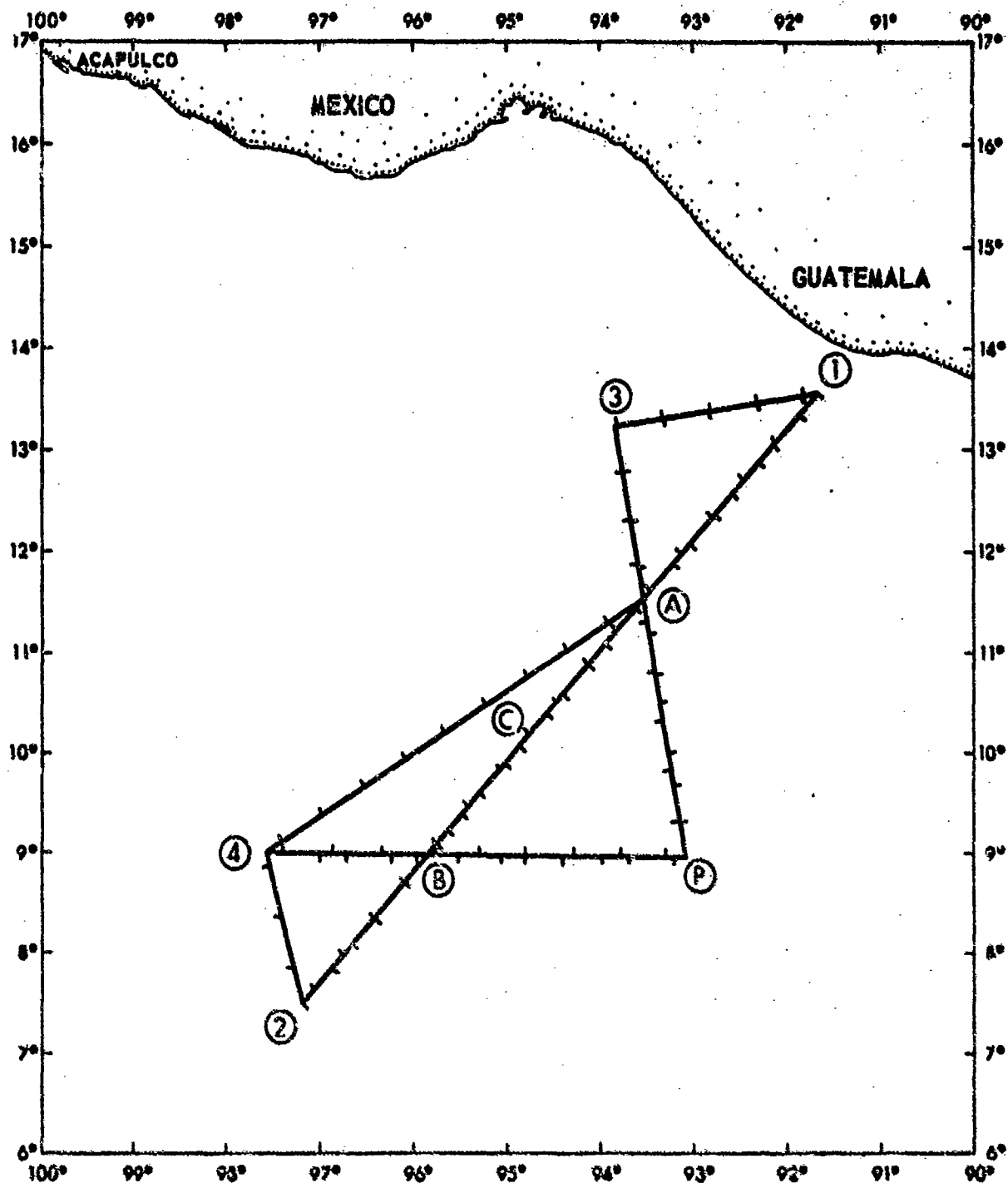
TABLE V-9, cont.

| <u>SITE</u> | <u>DISTANCE (nm)</u> | <u>COURSE</u> | <u>T-5</u> | <u>T-7</u> | <u>STD</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
|             | 5                    | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 20                   | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
| B           | 0                    | 221           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 10                   | 041           | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 35                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 50                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 75                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 90                   |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 115                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 130                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 155                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 170                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
|             | 200                  |               | ✓          |            |            |
| B           | 207                  | 041           |            |            |            |
| A           | 0                    |               |            |            |            |
| A           | 0                    |               | ✓          |            |            |

Total -- T-5 -- 114

T-7 -- 7

STD -- 7



**FIGURE Y-7**  
**XBT (T-5 AND T-7) AND STD TRACK DETAIL**  
**BOTTOM INTERACTION EXPERIMENT**



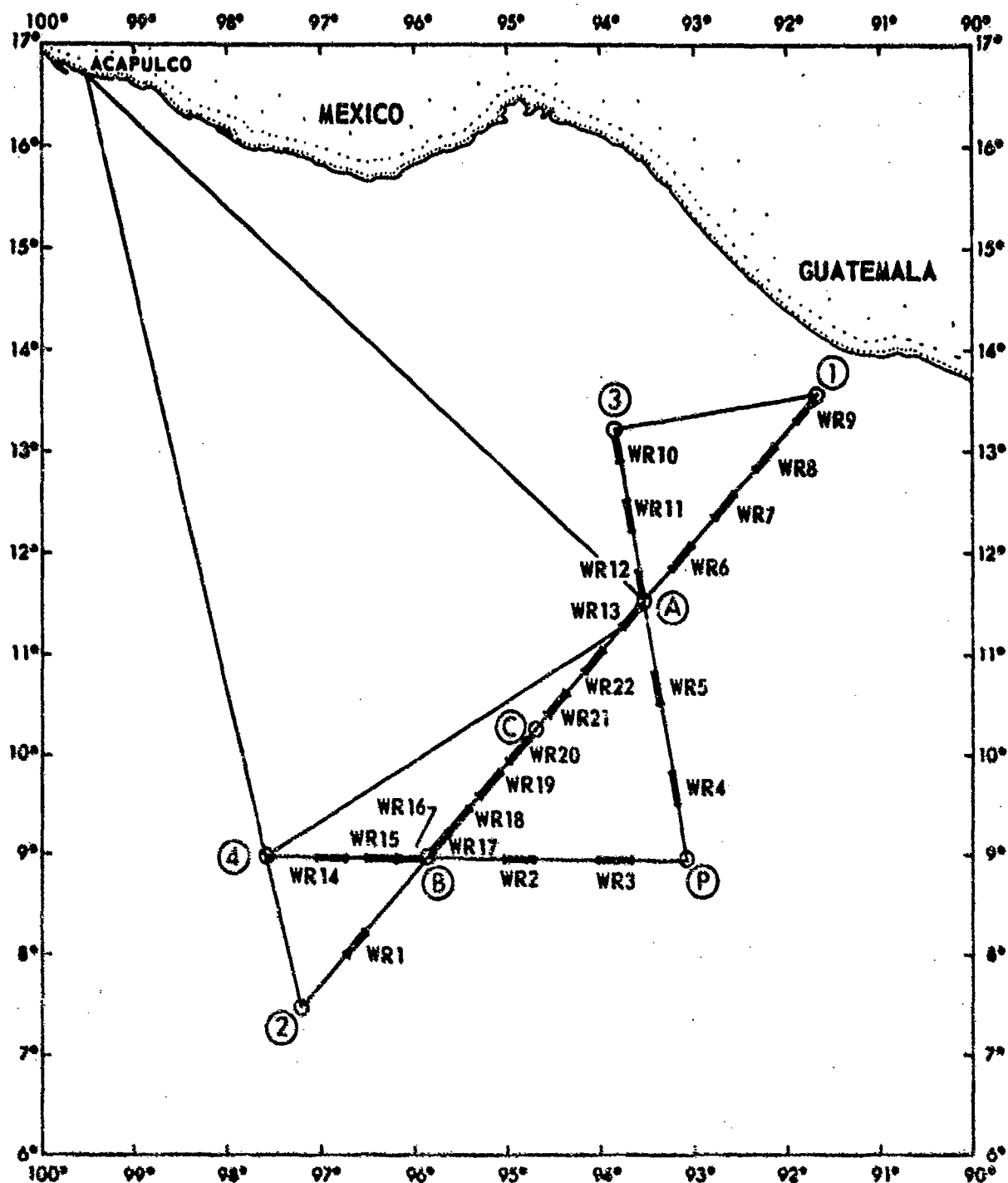


FIGURE V-8  
WIDE ANGLE REFLECTION MEASUREMENTS TRACK DETAIL  
BOTTOM INTERACTION EXPERIMENT

## VI. DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

The data acquired during this experiment will provide a base for studying the long range propagation of sound in a bottom limited environment. The primary objective of the data analysis and interpretation will be to understand and describe the effects of bottom interaction on the measured propagation characteristics.

Techniques developed by the Naval Oceanographic Office (N00) to calculate bottom loss versus grazing angles for single bounce situations will be extended to study multiple bounce data. These techniques will be augmented by procedures developed at ARL/UT to extract basic information on the detailed propagation paths from source to receiver for the long range data. Together with the utilization of current propagation models, these data processing and analysis tools will provide the insight from the measurements to allow for a more applicable model of bottom interaction in propagation calculations. Analysis/interpretation of the seismic profiling data and the wide angle reflection data will be required to support the primary experiment objective.

To gain a full description of the environmental acoustics of the area, the CW data will be analyzed for propagation loss, the ambient noise data will be studied for the effects of the bottom limited conditions, bathymetry, and limited shipping distribution. The analysis of the environmental data will provide support to all of the interpretation.

### SUS Data Analysis

The receiver location and tracks for the SUS deployments are shown in Fig. V-1. The track detail and deployment schedule for the SUS events are provided in Fig. V-5. Figure V-6 shows the sound velocity structure typical of the area and the receiver allocation in the water column.

Figure IV-4 shows the estimated bottom reflection angles versus range of several multipath arrivals for only one of the source/receiver combinations to be used. From these estimates, it is seen that as range increases the bottom reflection angles of the primary (first few) arrivals constituting the received signal are spread over a smaller range of angles. Beyond approximately 100 nm, most of the received signal will have encountered the bottom at angles less than  $10^\circ$ . Only at short ranges are the multipath arrivals reflected from the bottom at steep angles.

The SUS data received at short ranges ( $<50$  nm) will be processed by NOO with the deconvolution procedures which consist of convolving the direct arrival (or proper replica) with the received signal structure to obtain the impulse response of each arrival. Each arrival is thus delineated in time to within the resolution of the convolution process and the energy associated with each arrival can be attributed to the proper mechanisms in terms of the physical structure of the bottom.

SUS data from all ranges will be processed by ARL/UT for propagation loss using the total energy of the received signal as well as the propagation loss and bottom loss determined from individual arrivals. Of particular importance will be the comparison between the bottom loss determined at the long ranges involving many reflections and the loss determined at short ranges from one or two reflections. The frequency and energy characteristics of the individual arrivals of the received signal will form the basic processing for this analysis. Details of the SUS data processing procedures are given in Appendix E.

#### Ambient Noise Data Analysis

Three features combine to make the study of the ambient noise field in the experiment area particularly interesting. First, from the bottom limited environmental condition, the shipping contribution to the ambient noise is expected to be low. Second, almost all shipping in the area is

concentrated along a 6 nm limit off the coastline. Considering these two features together, the ambient noise level at Site B, approximately 100 nm further from the shipping lane, is expected to be less than at Site A. A third feature results from the shipping lane along the edge of the Middle American trench. Sound reflecting from the edge of the trench may couple into the sound channel and increase the ambient level above that expected for shallow sources in water of uniform depth.

ARL/UT will process the ambient noise data from both Sites A and B. Narrowband spectra will be used to produce the 1/3 octave estimates. The data will be analyzed for frequency, depth, and site dependence to gain insight into the governing mechanisms. Details of the noise data processing techniques are given in Appendix F.

#### CW Data Analysis

Event 252 is a CW tow using the Vibroseis source. The sources will be deployed at depths of 60 ft and 300 ft with four frequencies in the band from 10 to 300 Hz. The sources will transmit 50 min of each hour continuously at a constant level.

ARL/UT will process the CW data for propagation loss and signal excess along with the associated ambient noise levels. Using the measured bottom loss data, and environmental data, a meaningful comparison can be made between the CW propagation loss and predicted values. Details of the CW data processing technique are given in Appendix F.

#### Environmental Data Analysis

NOO will process the environmental data and reconstruct the source-to-receiver tracks/ranges. These data will be furnished to the participants in the acoustics data analysis and modeling.

### Source Data Analysis

A reconstruction of the time history of the source level performance of the Vibroseis CW source will be carried out by ARL/UT.

The SUS deployment analysis will be performed by NOO and provided to the participants in the SUS analysis.

The source level correction calculations will be performed by USI from the on board recordings and provided to NOO and ARL/UT.

### SUS Arrival Structure - ARL/UT

The task of measuring propagation loss, and bottom loss for individual arrivals from a large number of shots over a long range interval, requires expansion of the routine SUS processing. There will be three hydrophones at each receiver depth, to provide a large dynamic range for the recorded data; when required different portions of the same shot will be analyzed from different recording channels. Multipath arrival times, bottom angles, and propagation loss assuming perfectly reflecting bottoms will be computed and used to guide the signal processing. This will require good navigation, source, and environmental data prior to the time the acoustic data is processed. The ancillary data will be used by programs such as the eigenray program, described in Appendix B, and by propagation modeling programs such as FACT.

Figure VI-1 demonstrates the type of analysis which will be performed upon the shot arrivals. Also indicated are the bottom reflection angles for each arrival. If for example the spectral energy in the third arrival were integrated from 45 to 56 Hz, the results would be the energy in a  $1/3$  octave band centered at 50 Hz for signals bouncing ten times

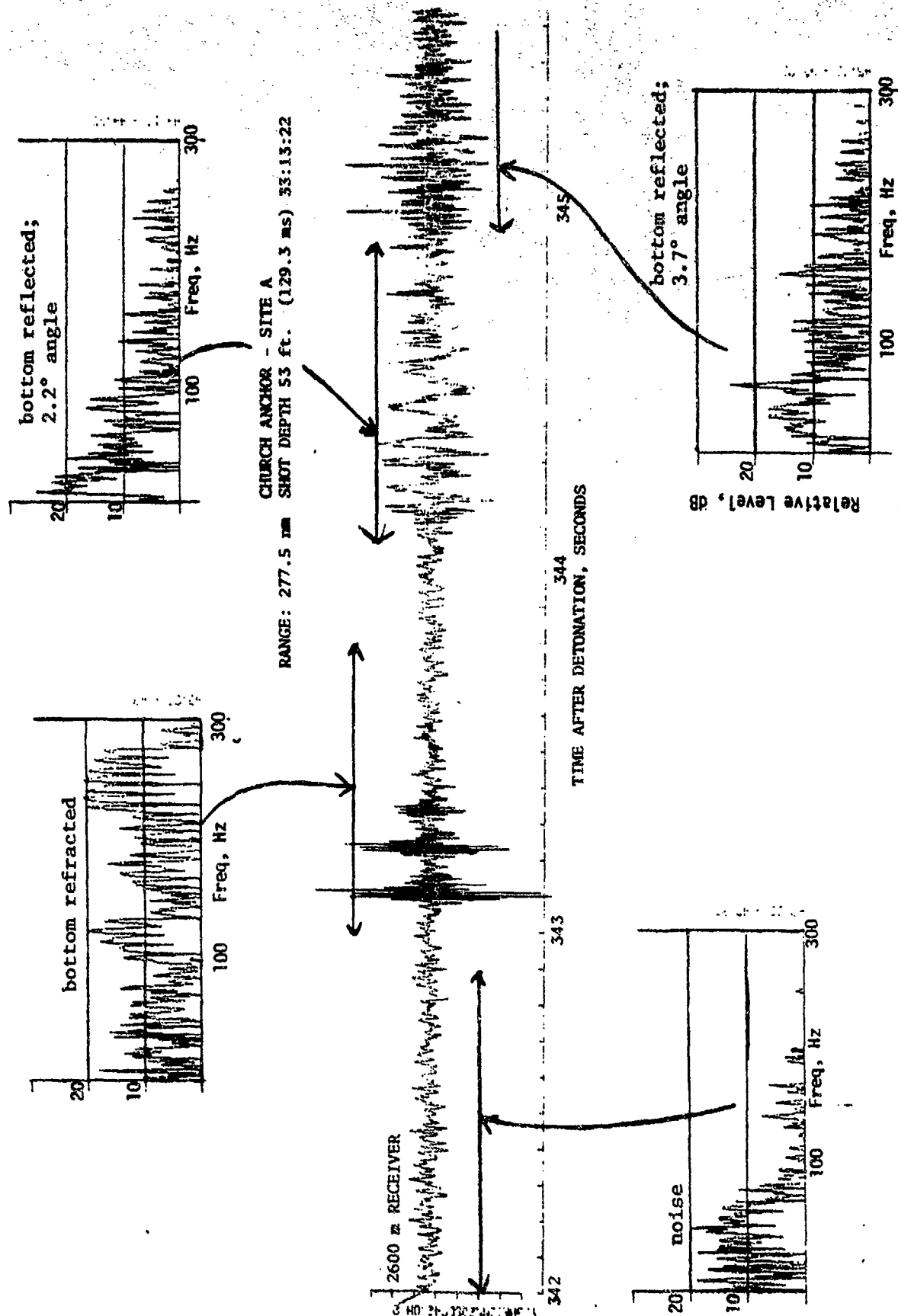


FIGURE VI-1  
EXAMPLE OF INDIVIDUAL MULTIPATH STRUCTURE AND SPECTRA, SHALLOW SUS

from the bottom at  $3.7^\circ$  grazing angle. Subtracting the source energy in that same band yields the measured propagation loss for that path. Next, the propagation loss assuming perfectly reflecting bottom along that path is to be computed. The difference between these two values is then ten times the bottom loss at 50 Hz and  $3.7^\circ$  angle.

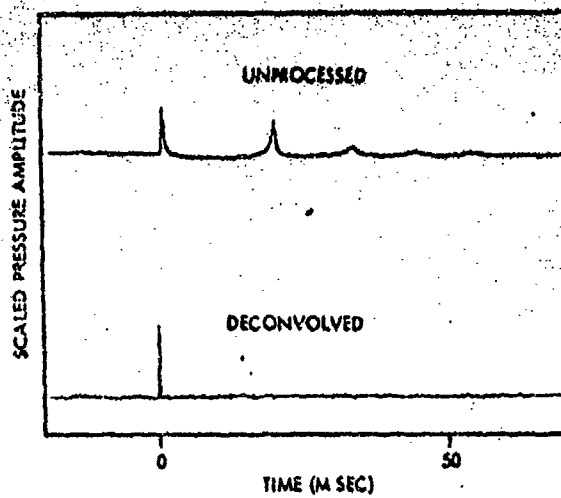
#### SUS Deconvolution - NOO

Acoustic bottom reflectivity data will be collected near ACODAC buoys along several tracks over a range sufficient to include up to three bottom bounces. The data will be digitized for digital deconvolution processing and  $1/3$  octave bottom loss computations. A geometry consisting of SUS charges at 244 m and hydrophones at 30 and 1000 m above the bottom and at 1000 m depth will be utilized. Over a relatively smooth bottom, this geometry permits the separation in time of a single bottom return from its surface reflections. As an aid to the deconvolution processing, direct signals will be recorded on the ACODAC hydrophones as well as the listening ship's 3.5 kHz profiler transducer. These direct signals permit precise measurement of bubble pulse periods and hence, through a synthetic deconvolution procedure, the source level spectrum is adjusted for the small but important variations in detonation depths. More importantly, the deconvolution removes bubble pulses from bottom reflected traces. The resulting impulse responses achieve near optimum resolution by pulse compression. It should also be possible by "deghosting" filtering to properly remove interference caused by water surface reflections overriding deeper bottom returns. This kind of processing permits direct interpretation in terms of the structure of the bottom, since reflections from individual sediment layers and refracted arrivals from sediment sound velocity gradients are easily identified. Measurement of pulse heights and positions from impulse responses leads to estimates of sediment parameters such as sound velocity and velocity gradient, density, and attenuation. These parameters integrated with geological knowledge of the bottom aid in understanding the acoustic - ocean bottom interaction. An example of a measured source signal is

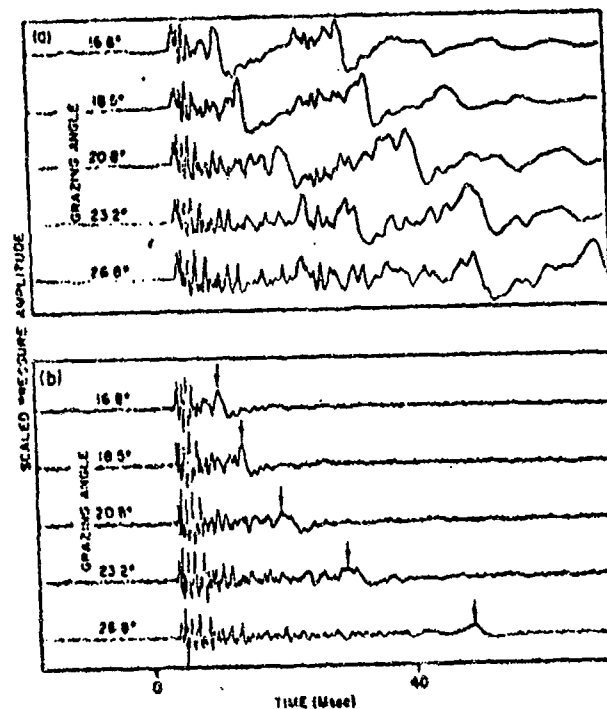
shown as the unprocessed trace in Fig. VI-2. The deconvolved trace shown in the figure is the effective source signal after processing and is a good representation of an ideal spike signal. Bottom returned signals corresponding to both of these source signals are also shown in Fig. VI-2.

The processing described above requires that fast Fourier transforms of the bottom return signal and a stored direct signal be computed. The frequency response function is then computed as the quotient of the two transforms with adjustments for the bubble pulse period and water column spreading and absorption losses. The impulse response is obtained by taking an inverse Fourier transform together with a filtering operation to minimize the effects of noise. The noise filtering is based on samples of the ambient noise background. Water column losses are determined from ray trace calculations based on sound velocity and bathymetry profiles measured over the bottom loss tracks.





Acoustic Source Signal Before and After Deconvolution Processing



Ocean Bottom Returned Signals at Several Grazing Angles  
(a) Before Processing and (b) After Deconvolution Processing.  
Refracted Arrivals are Indicated by Vertical Arrows

FIGURE VI-2

## APPENDIX A

### PROPAGATION LOSS PREDICTIONS

This appendix presents propagation loss prediction from the FACT model for the expected range of bottom loss. Results from the two bottom loss types are given for four source depths and four receiver depths.

## APPENDIX A

Bottom Loss Type 1:

Approximately 5 dB for all grazing angles from 0° to 90°.

Bottom Loss Type 2:

Same as A1, except that loss decreases linearly from 5 dB at 5° angle to 0 dB at 0° angle.

Figure Numbers for Bottom Loss Type 1

| Source Depth<br>ft/m | Receiver Depth ft/m |           |             |              |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
|                      | 500/152.5           | 3297/1005 | 7520/2291.7 | 10702/3261.7 |
| 60/18.3              | A1                  | A2        | A3          | A4           |
| 300/91.4             | A5                  | A6        | A7          | A8           |
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Figure Numbers for Bottom Loss Type 2

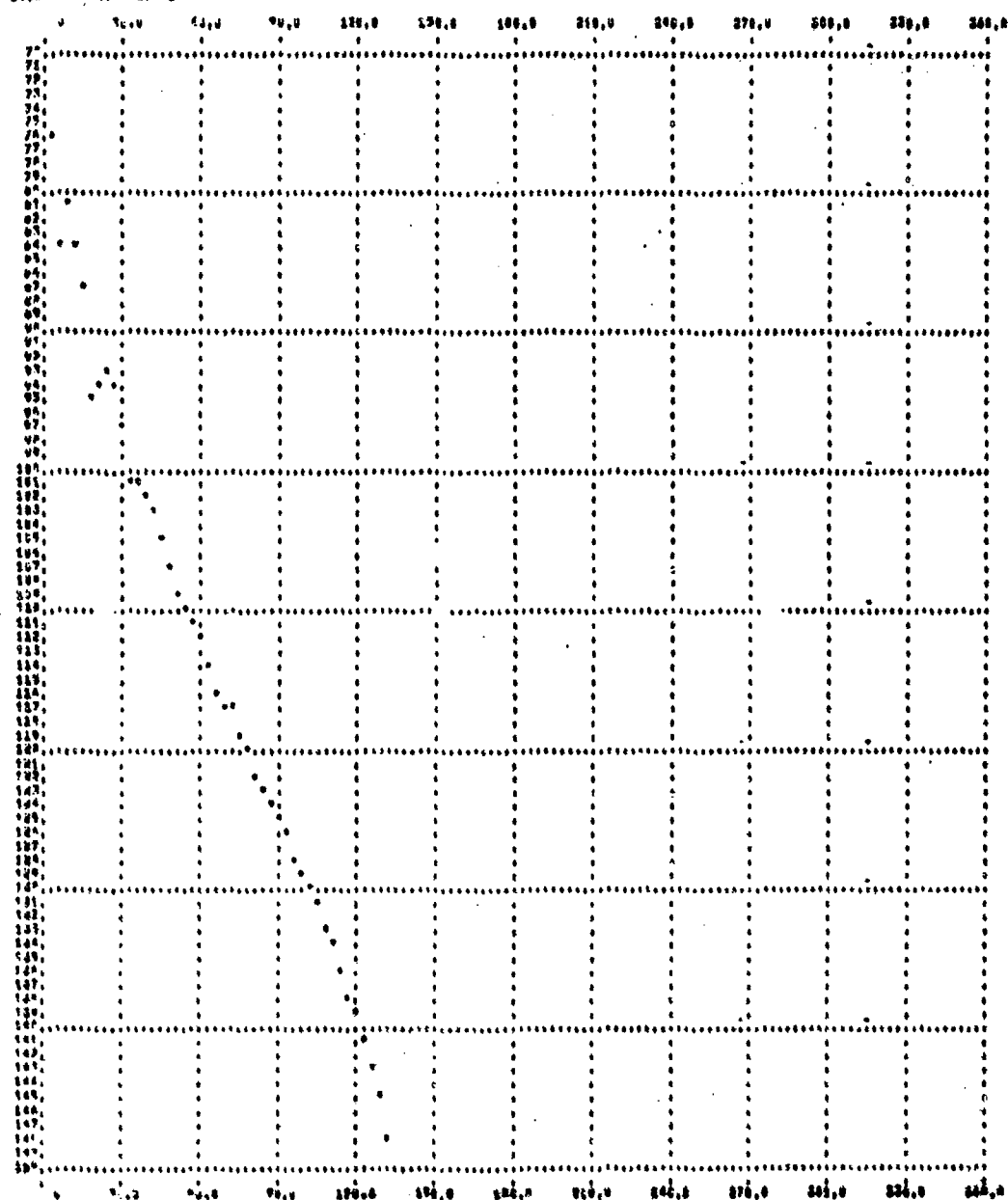
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| 300/91.4             | A21                 | A22       | A23         | A24          |
| 800/243.8            | A25                 | A26       | A27         | A28          |
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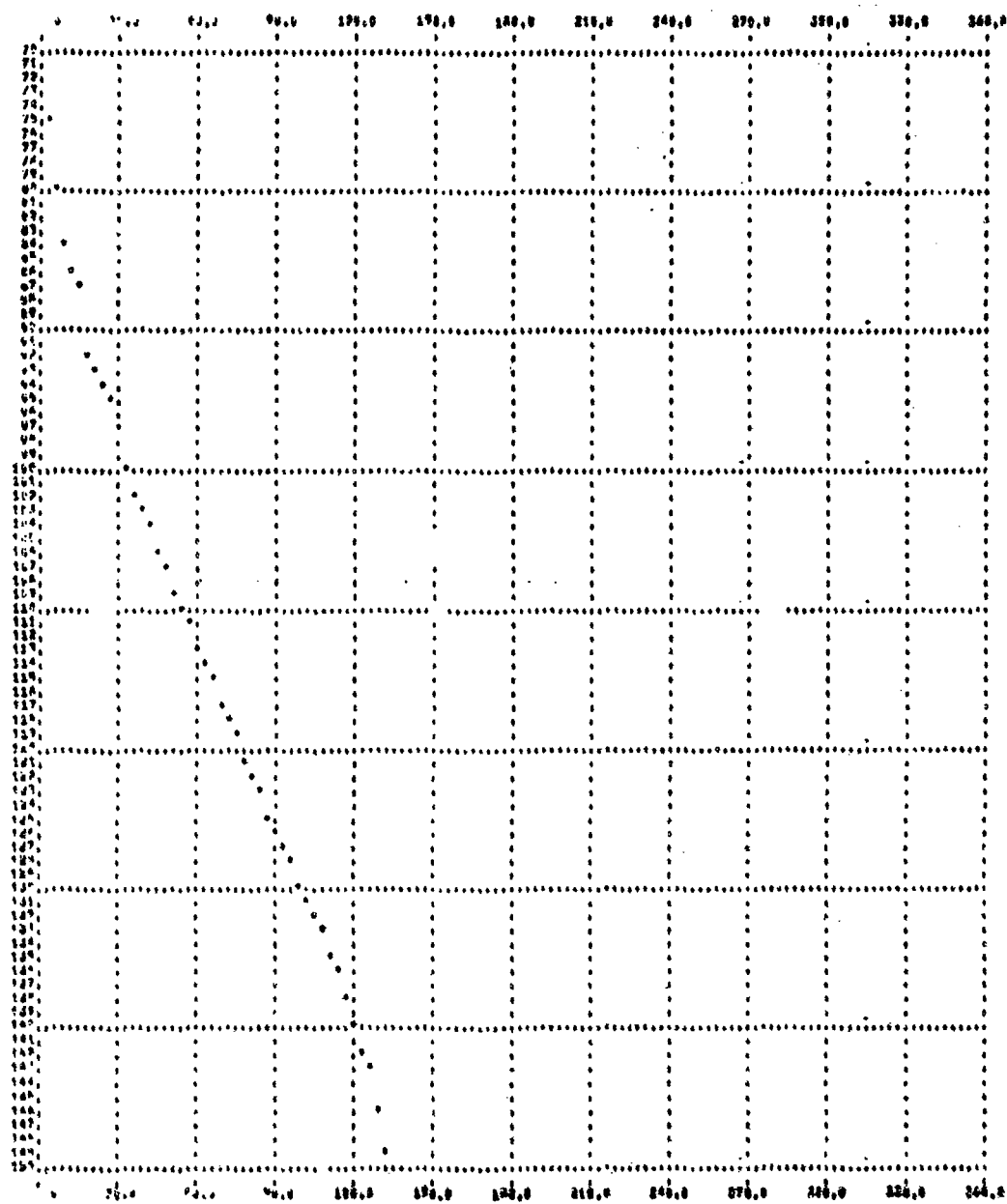
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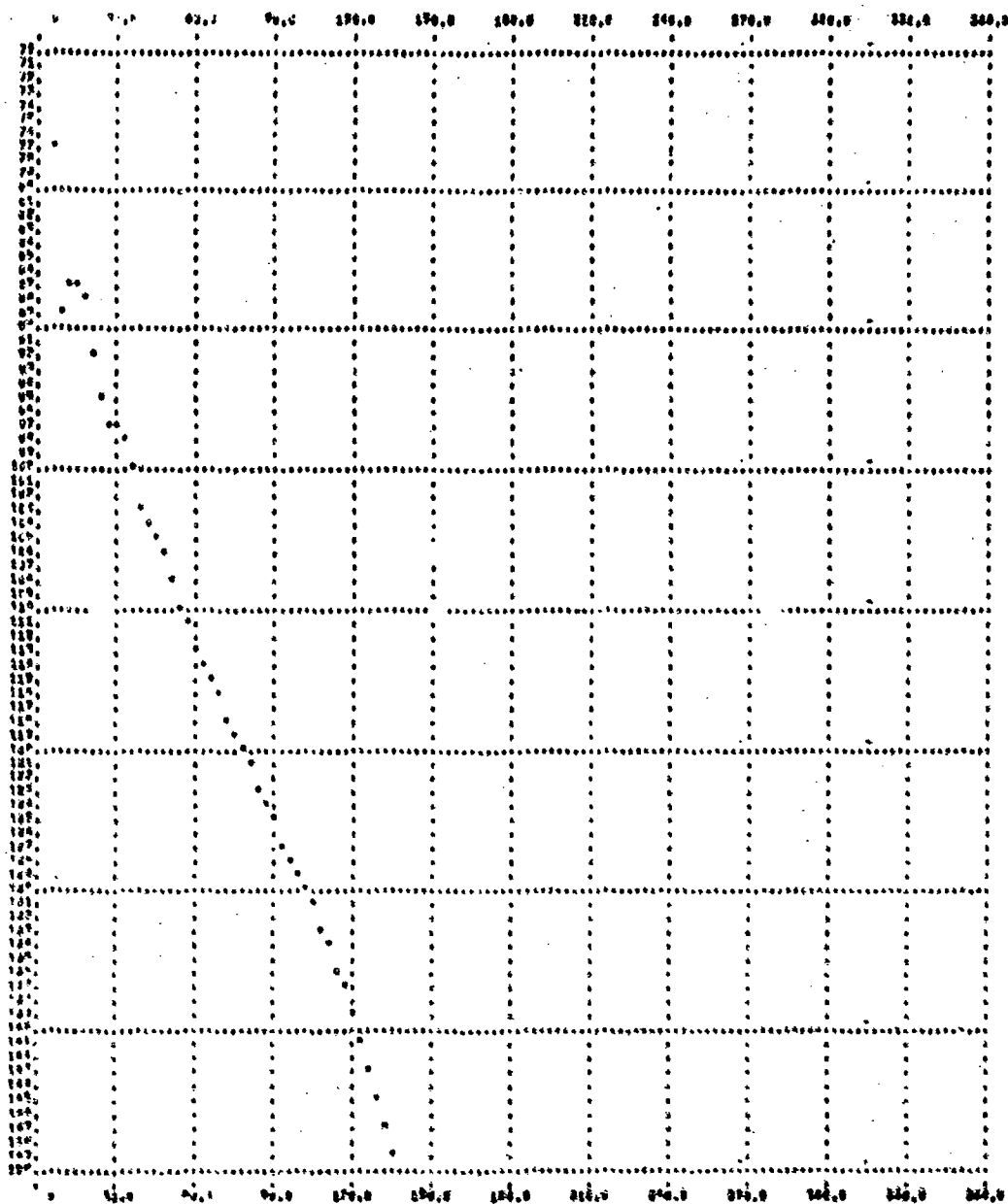


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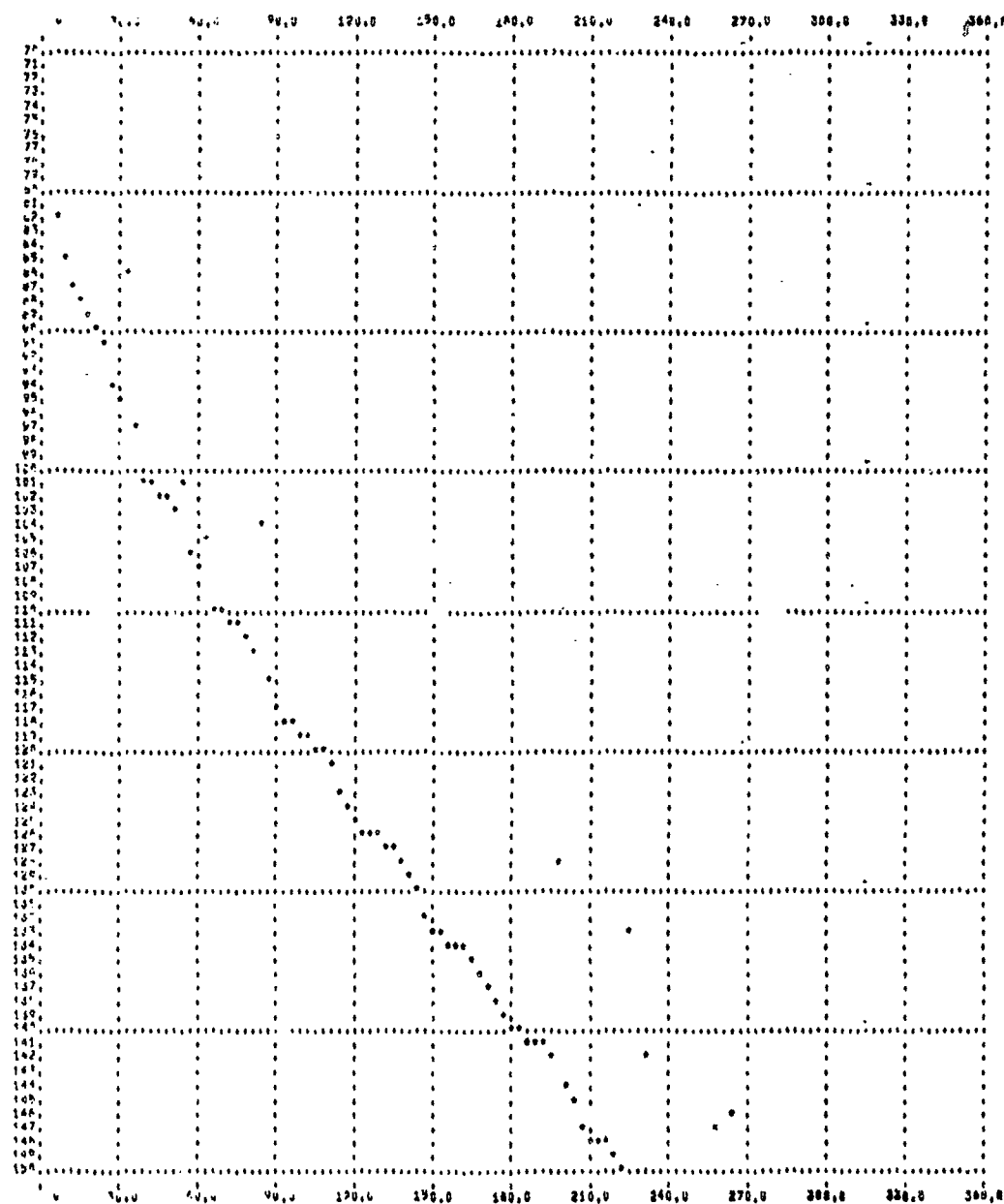








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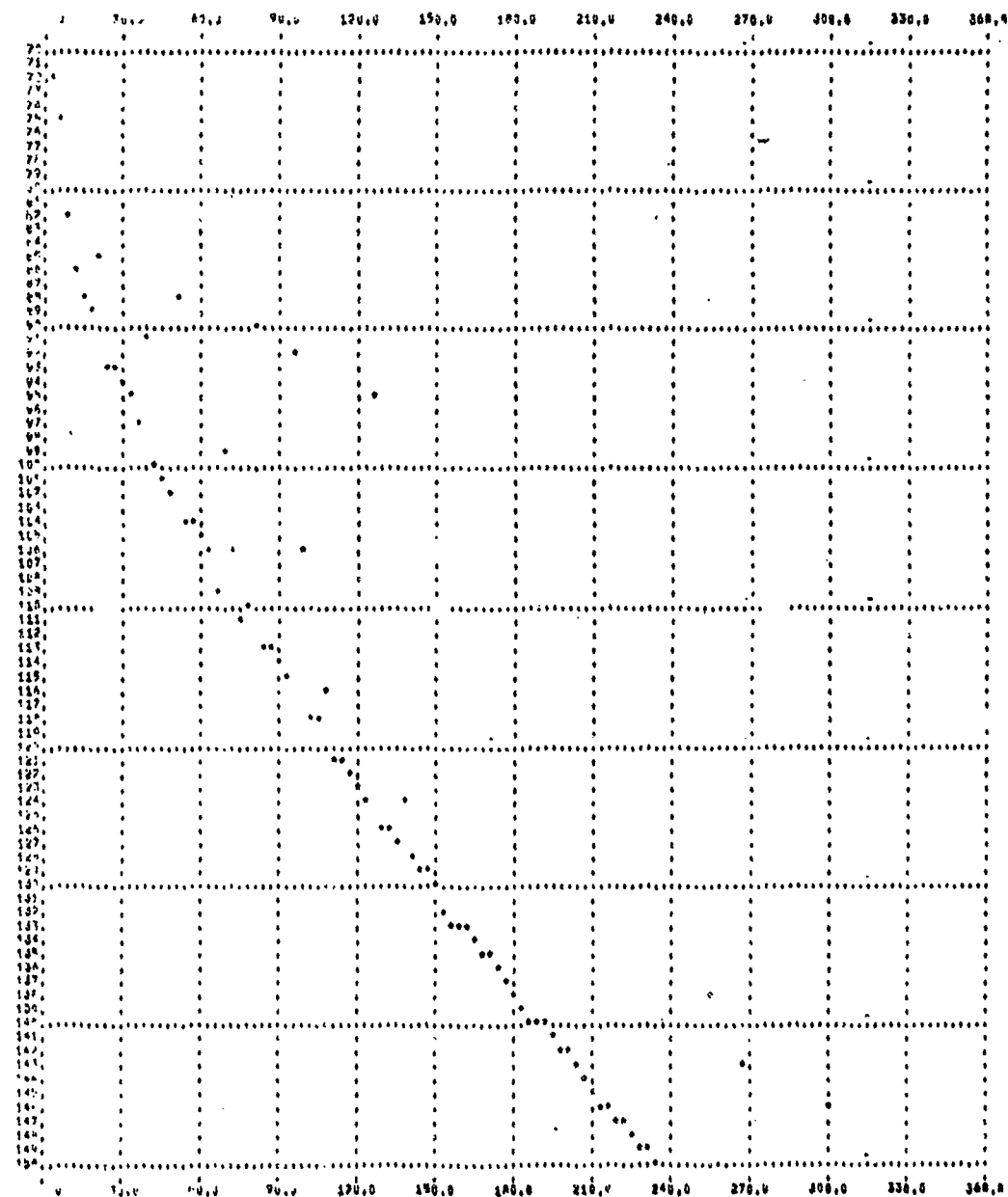


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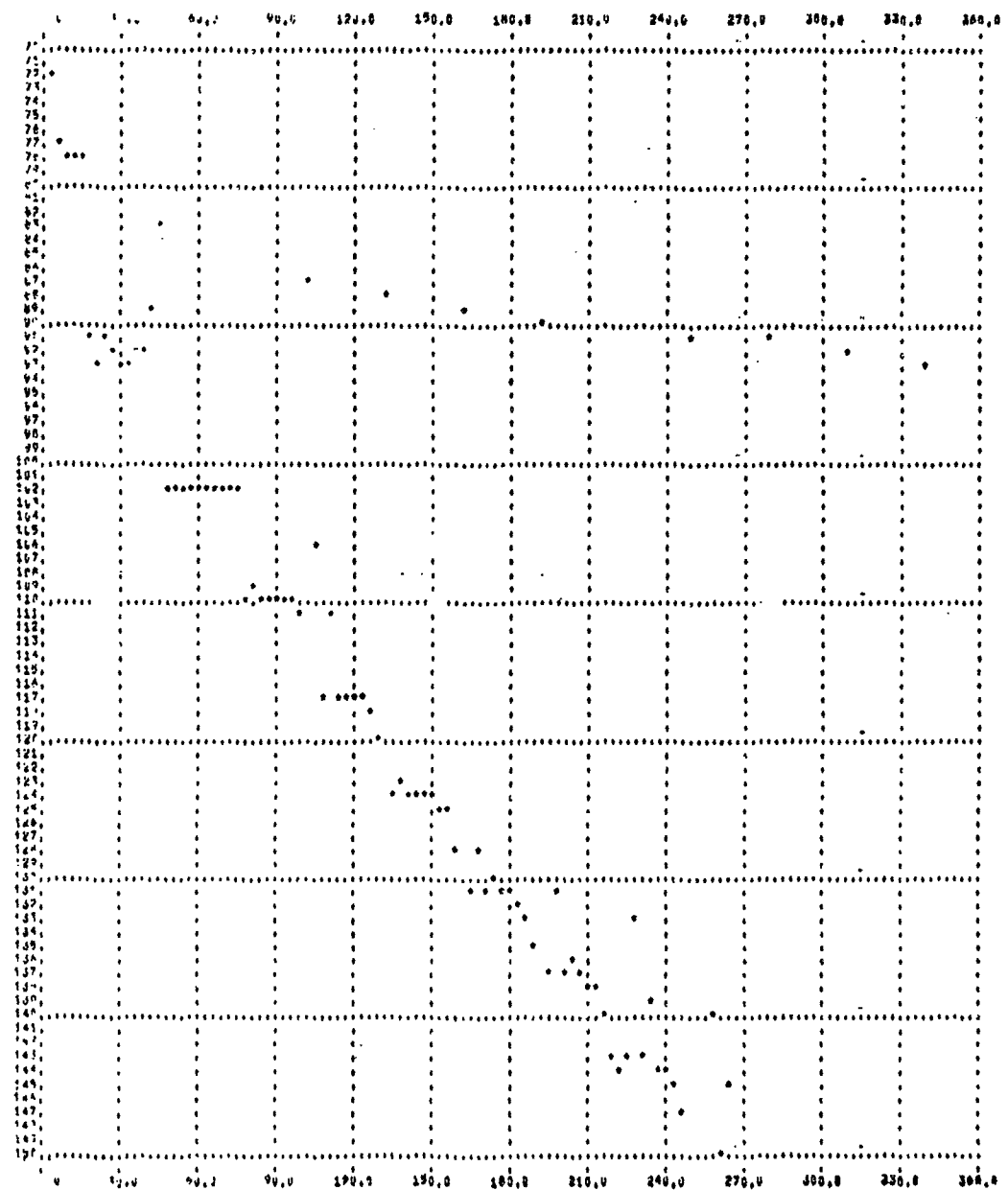


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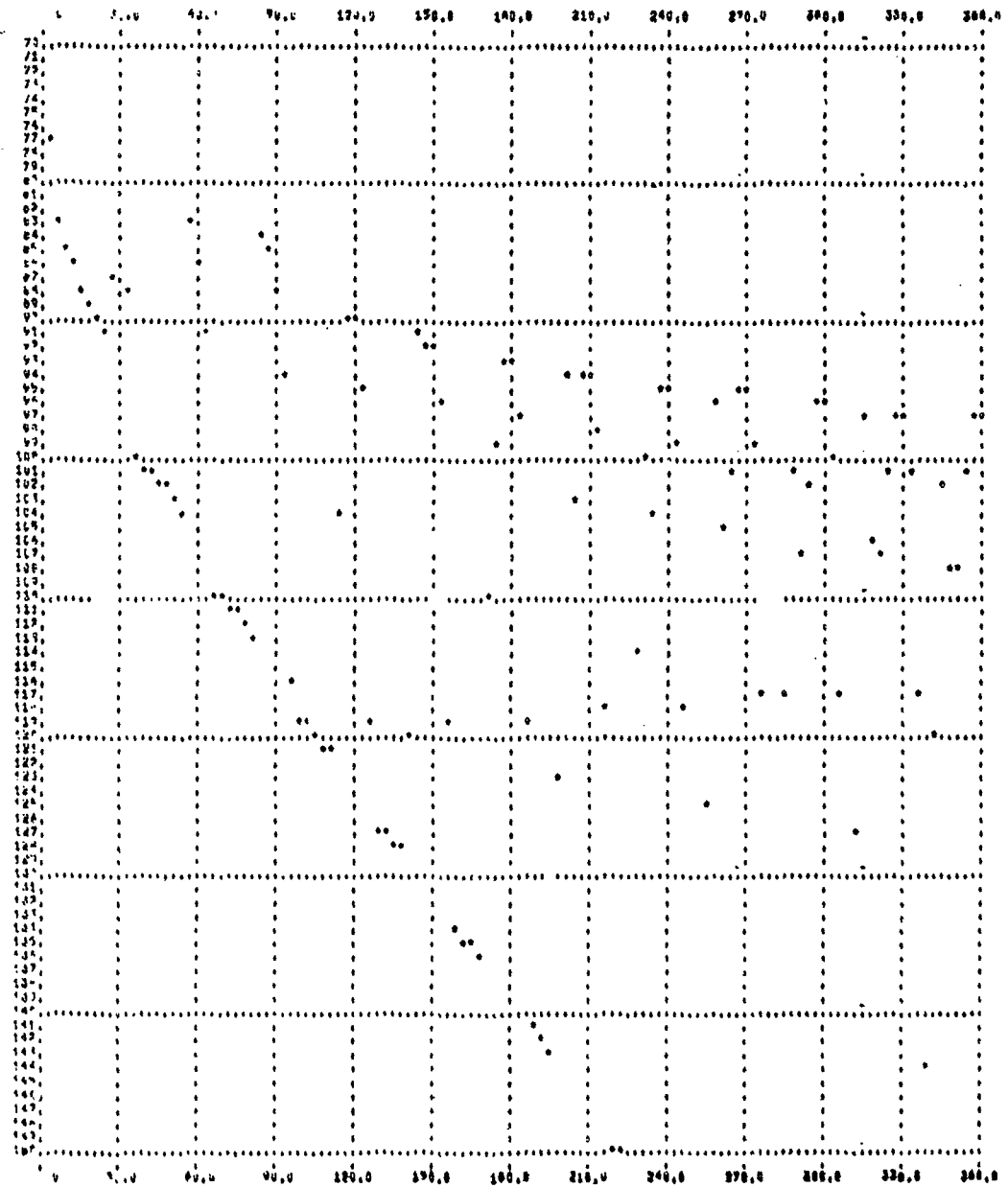


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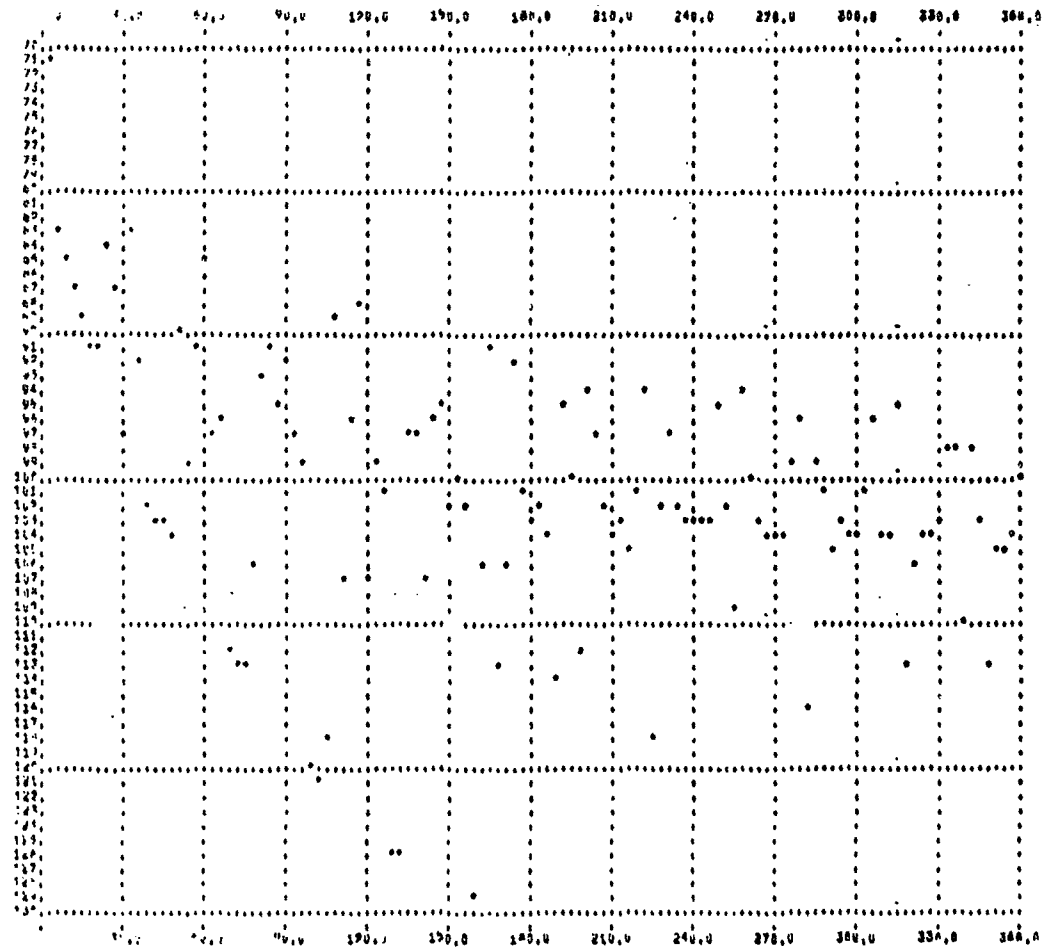


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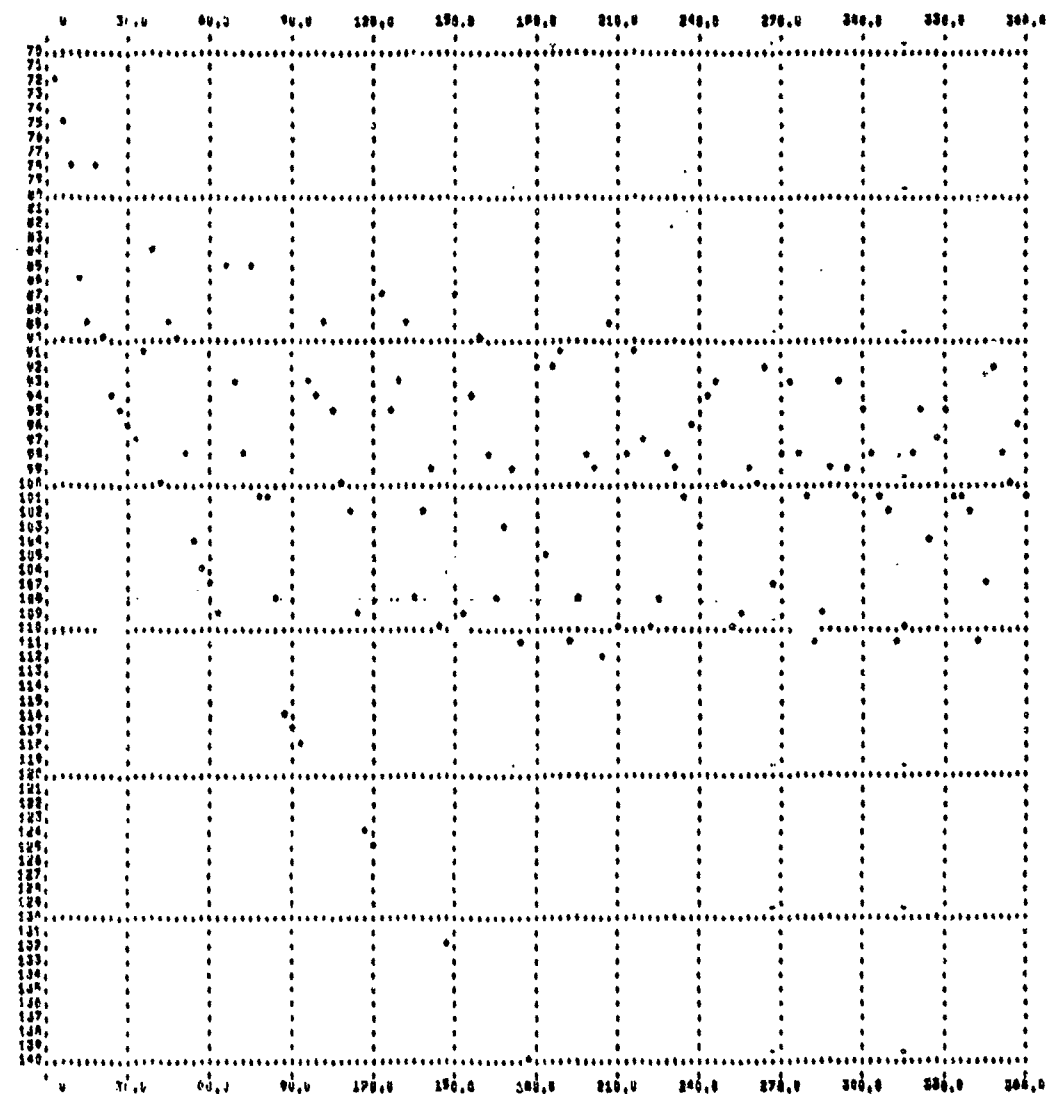


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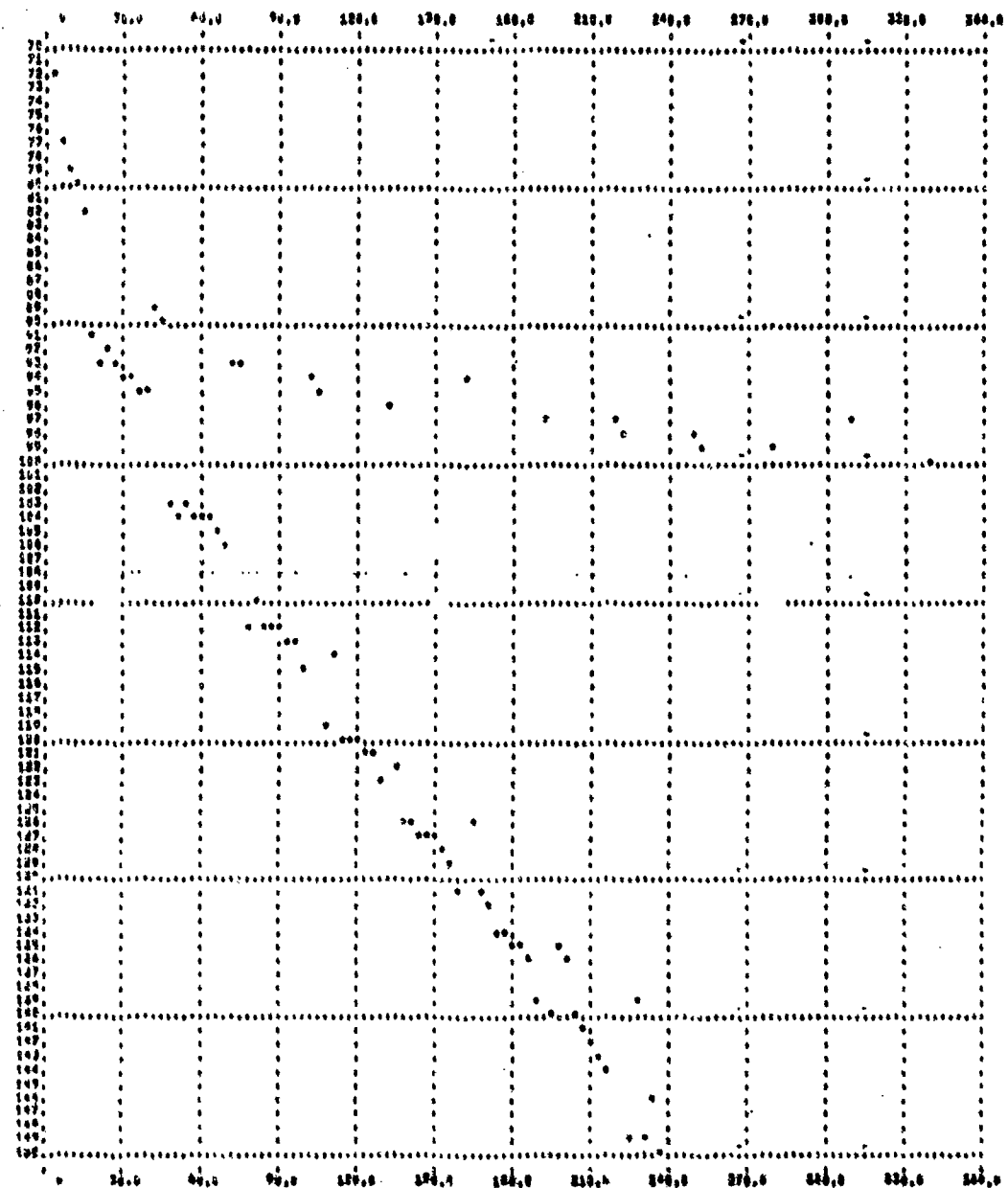


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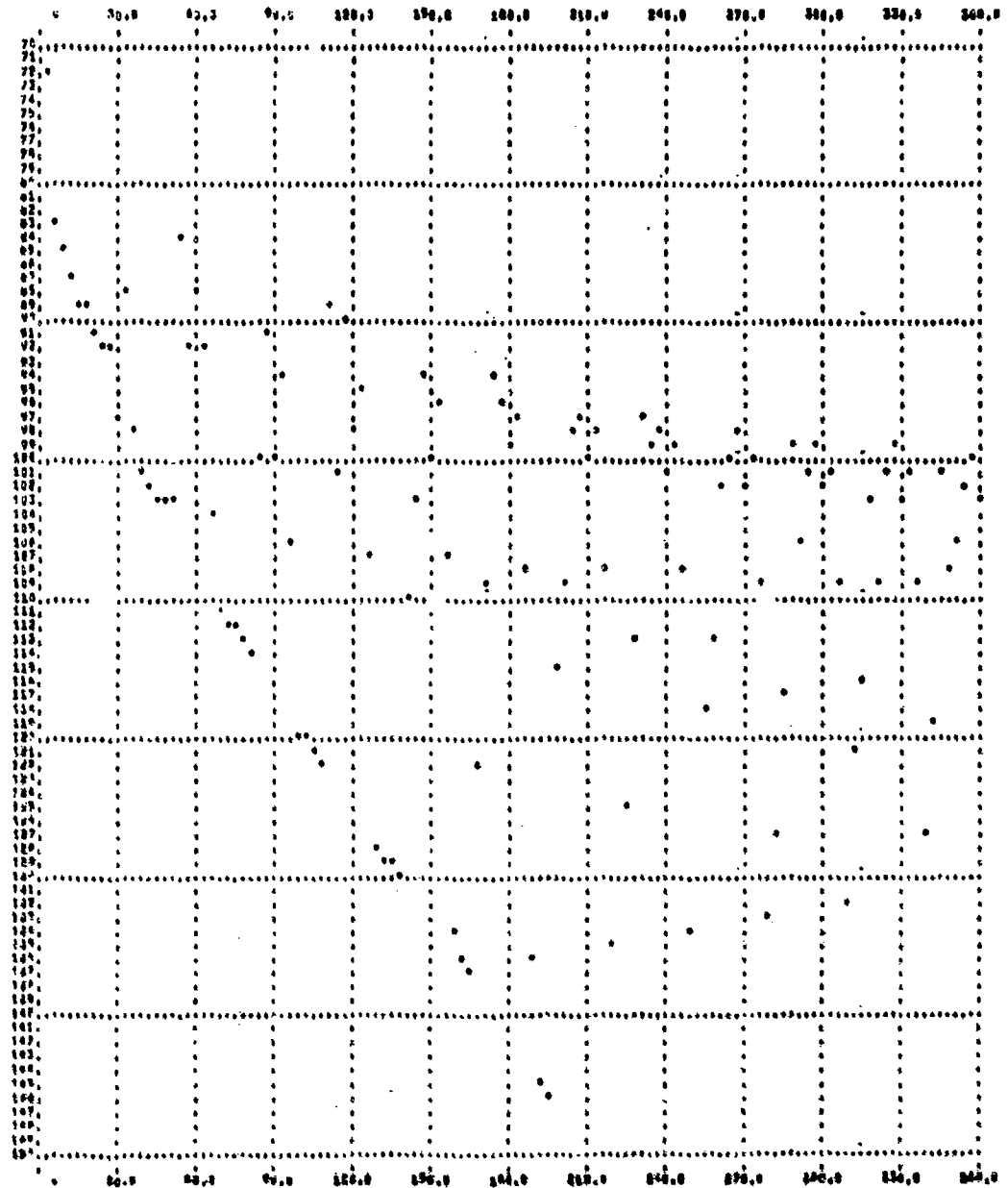


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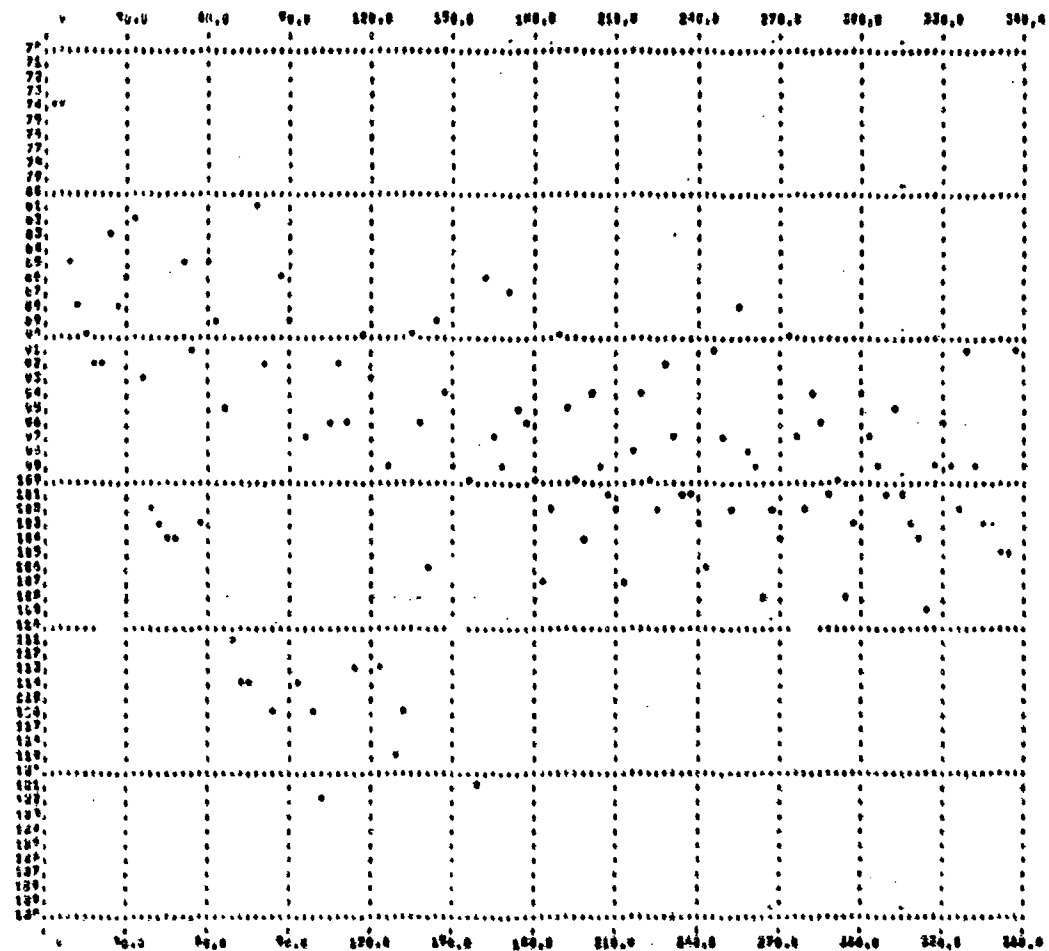


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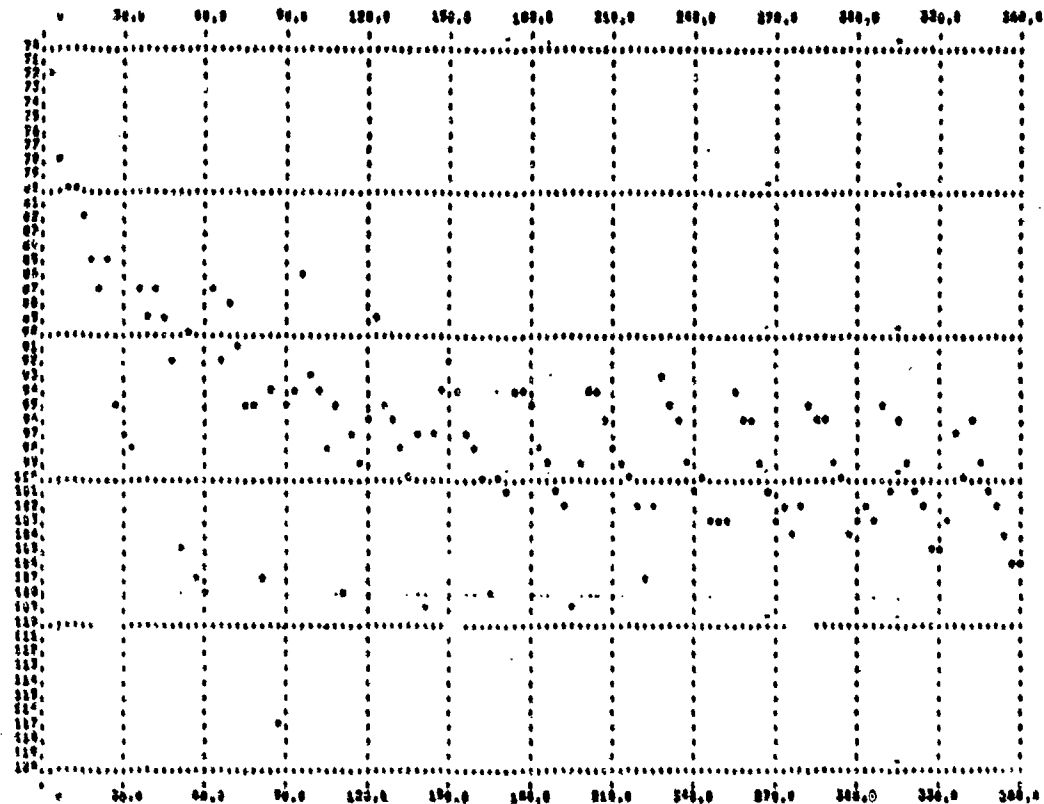


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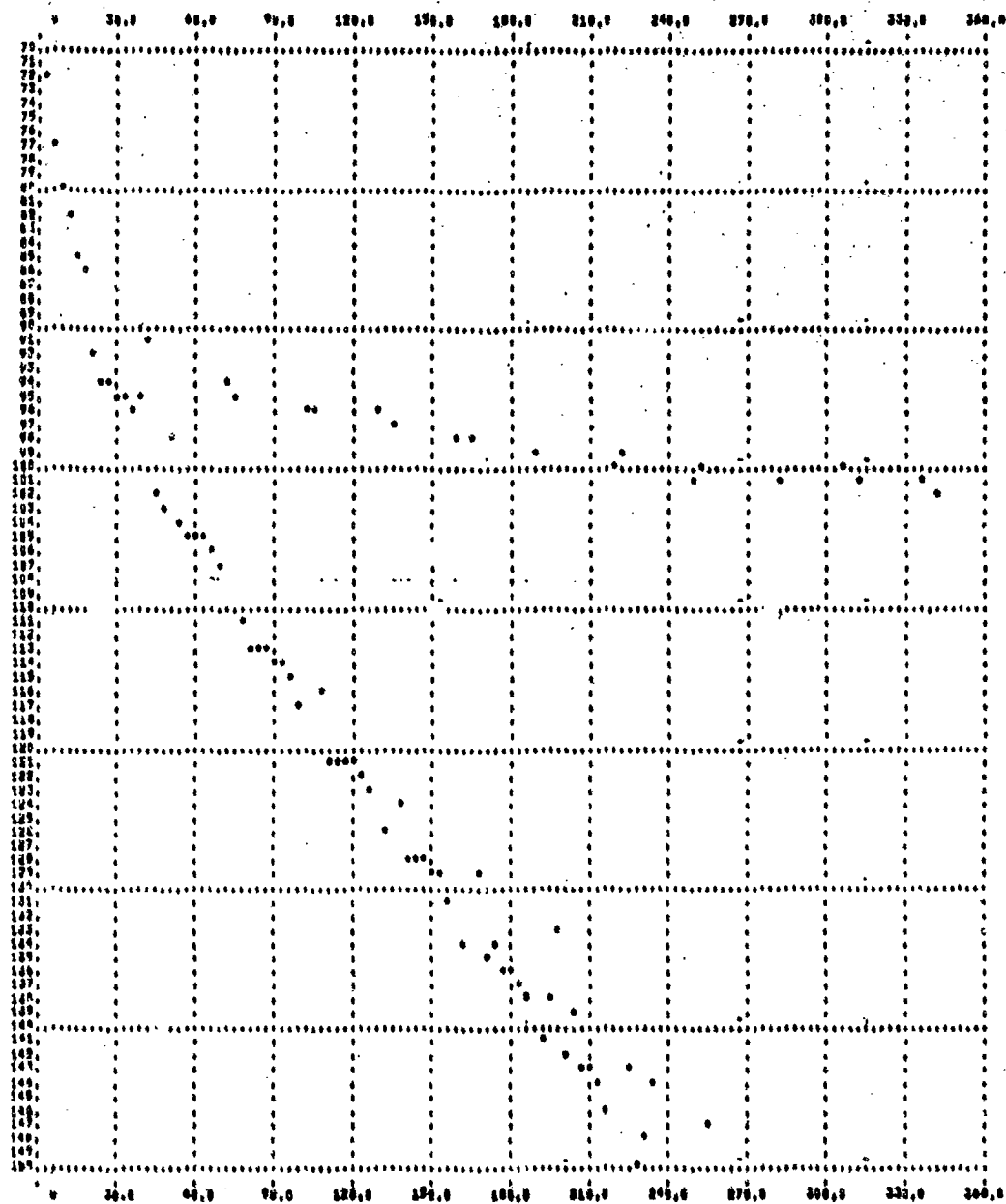


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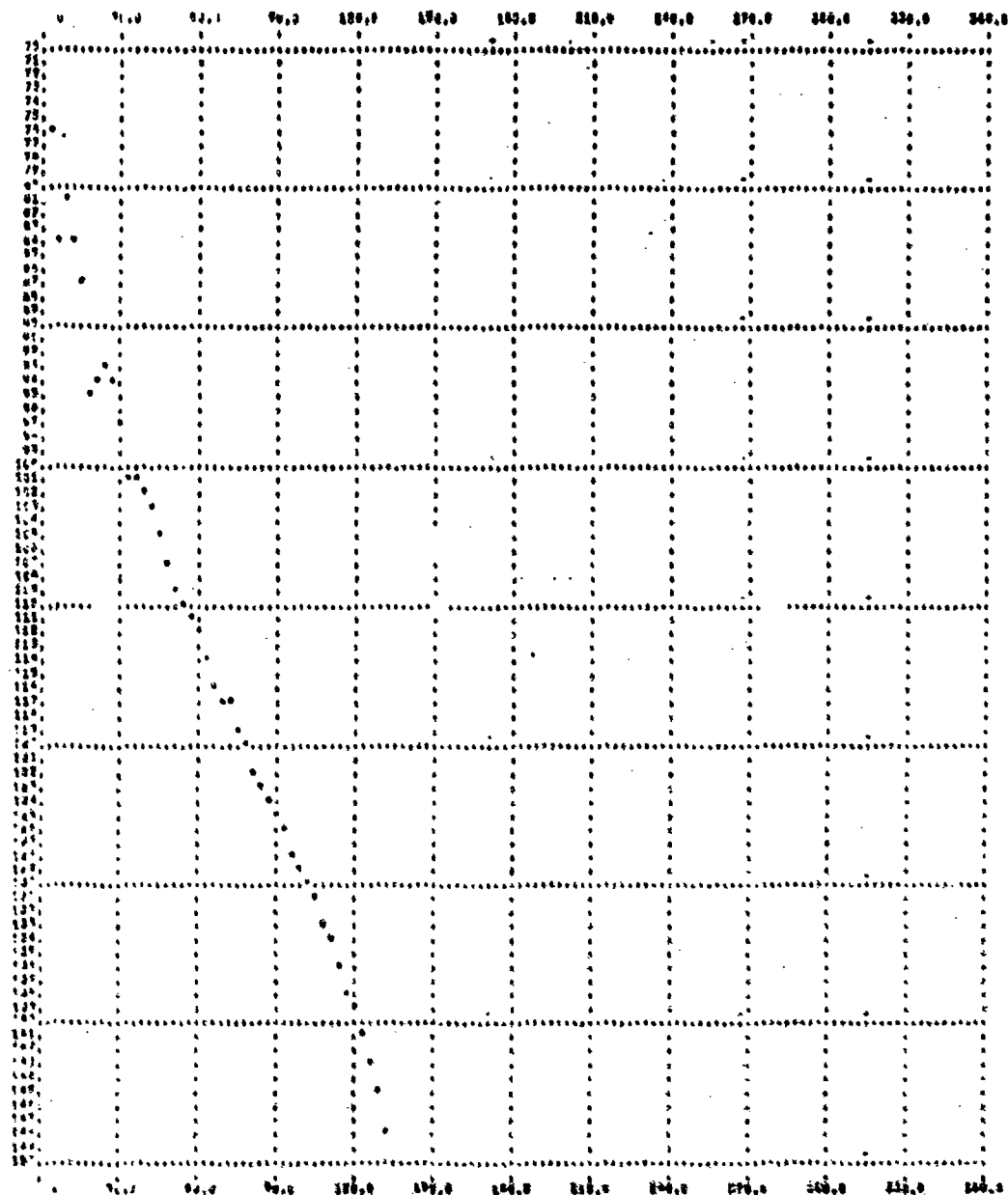
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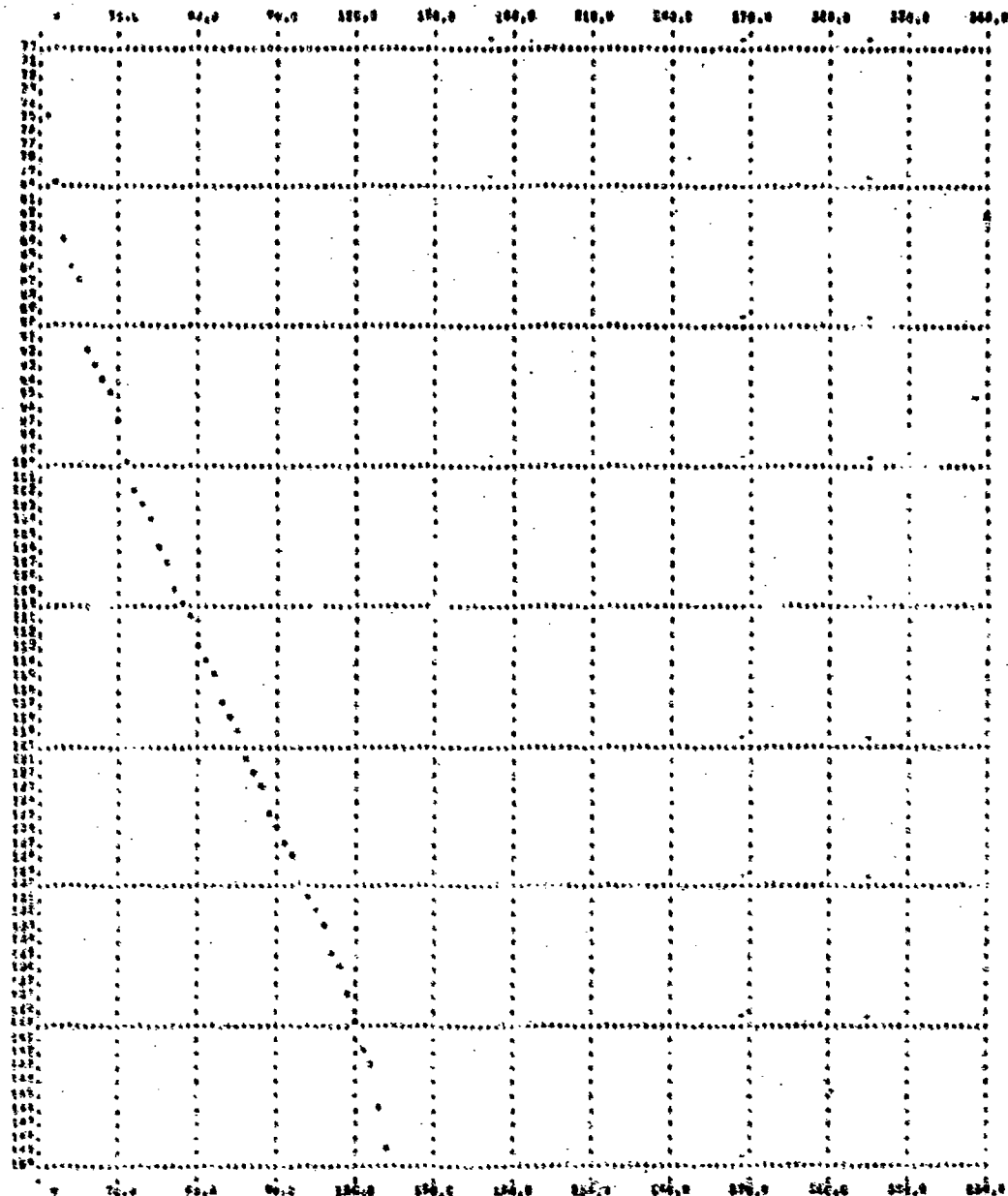
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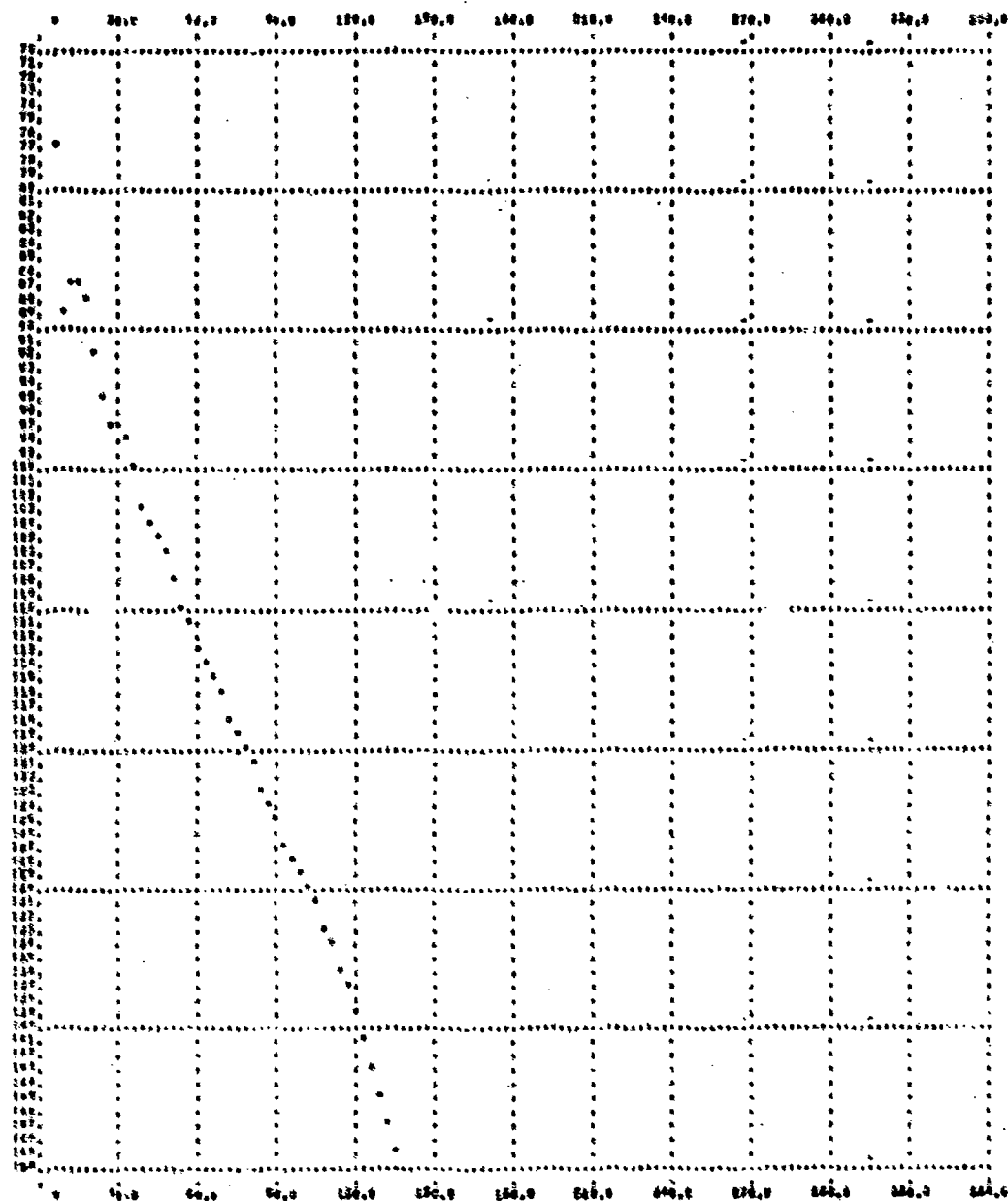


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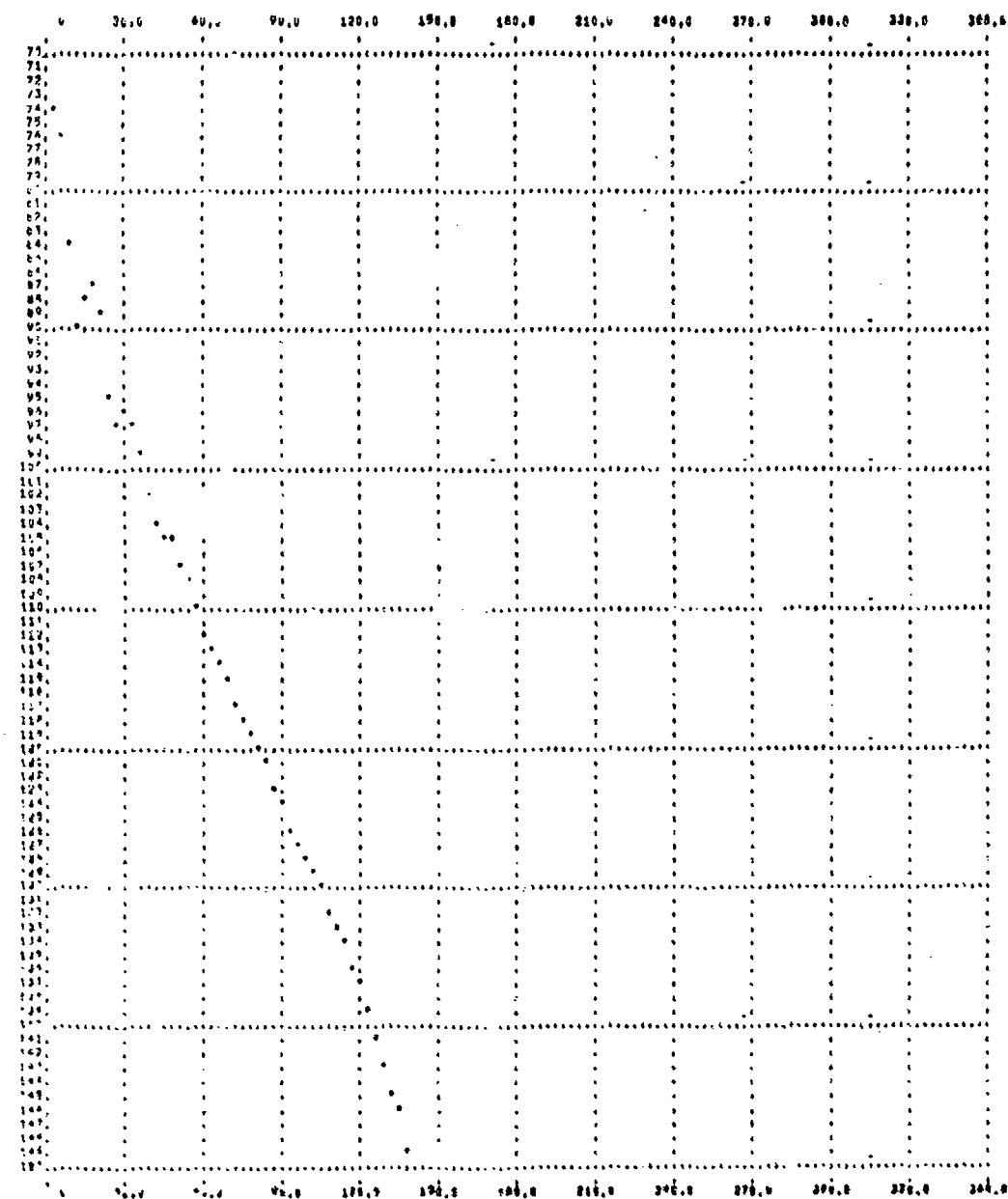
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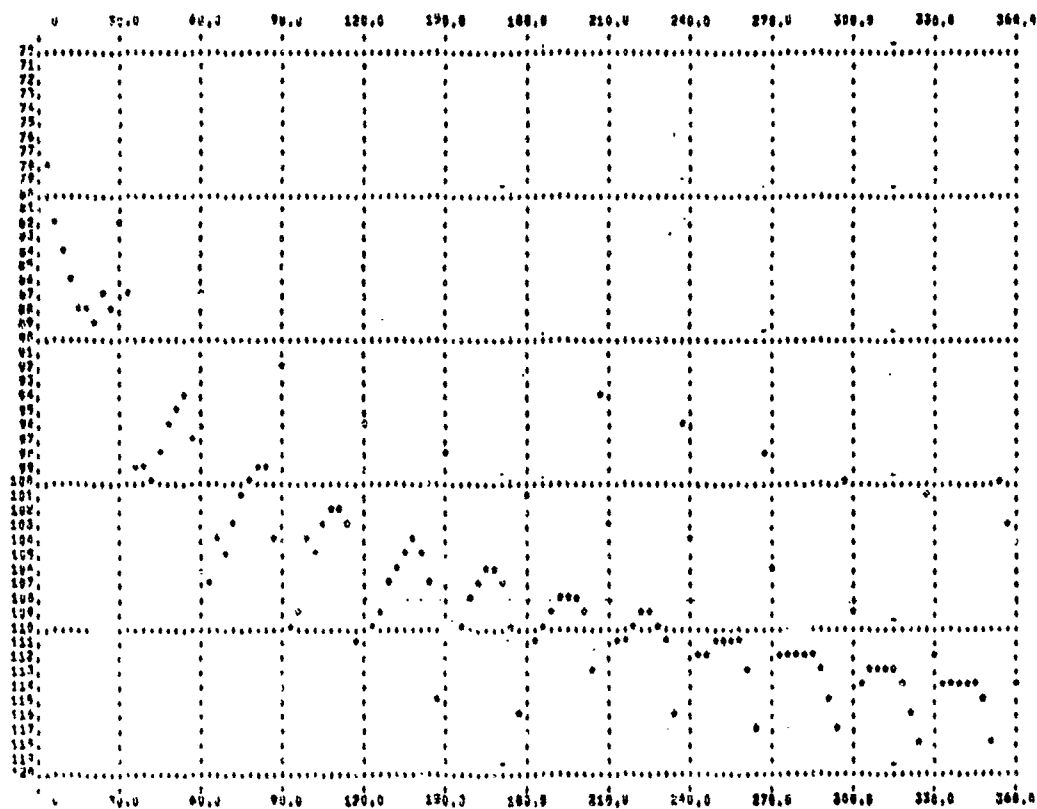
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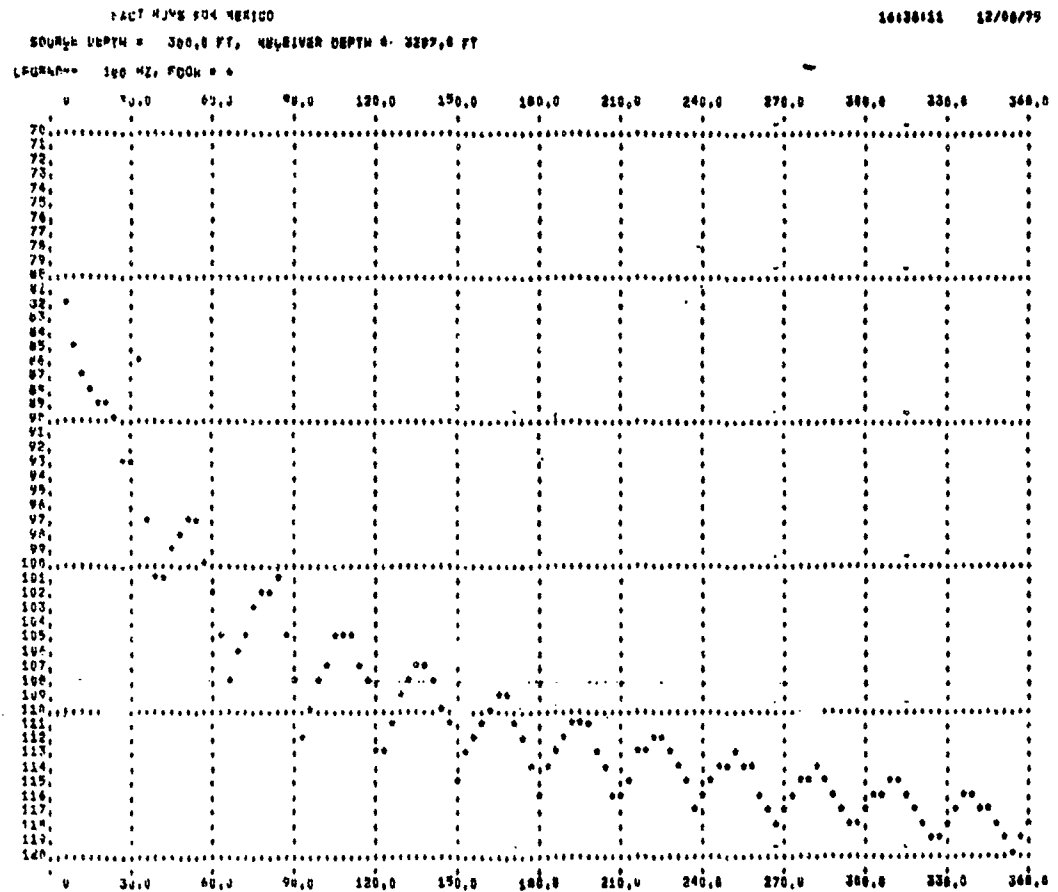
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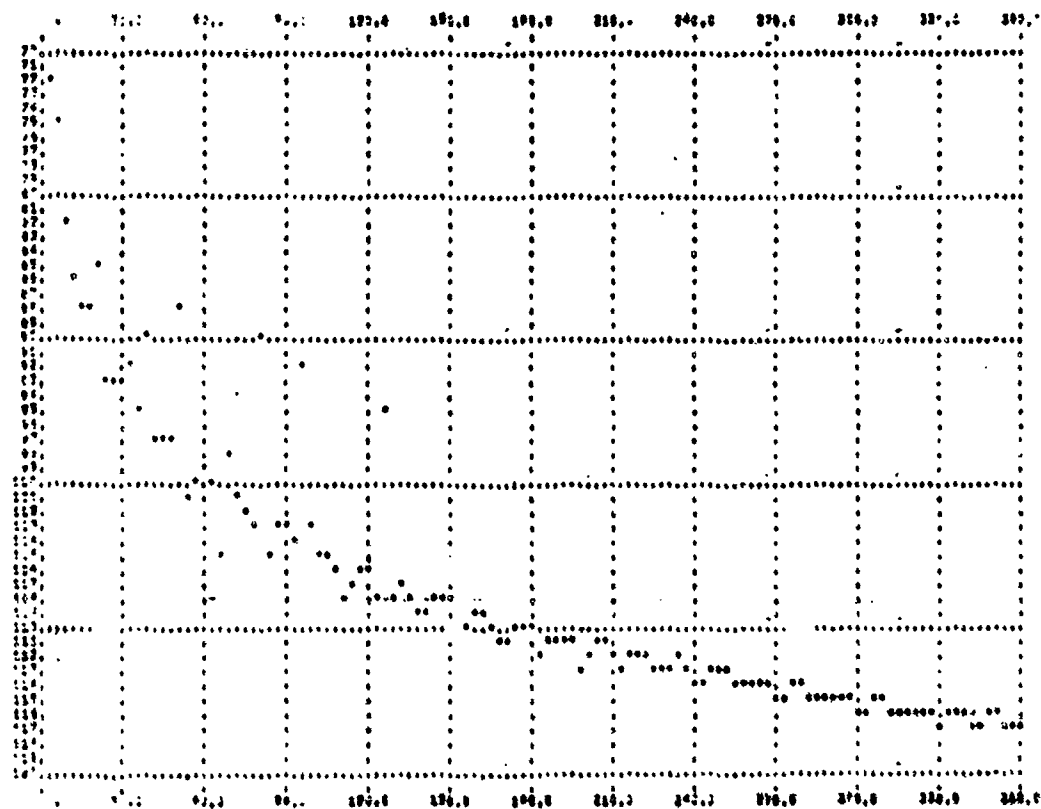


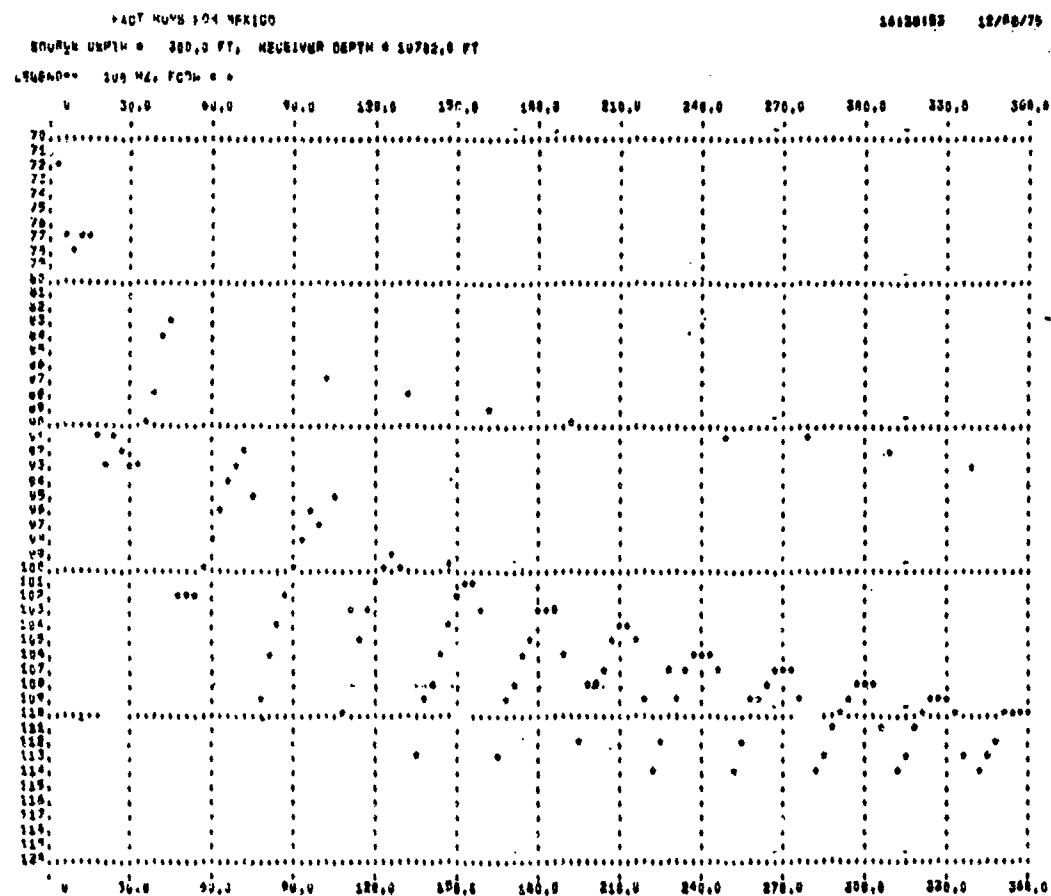




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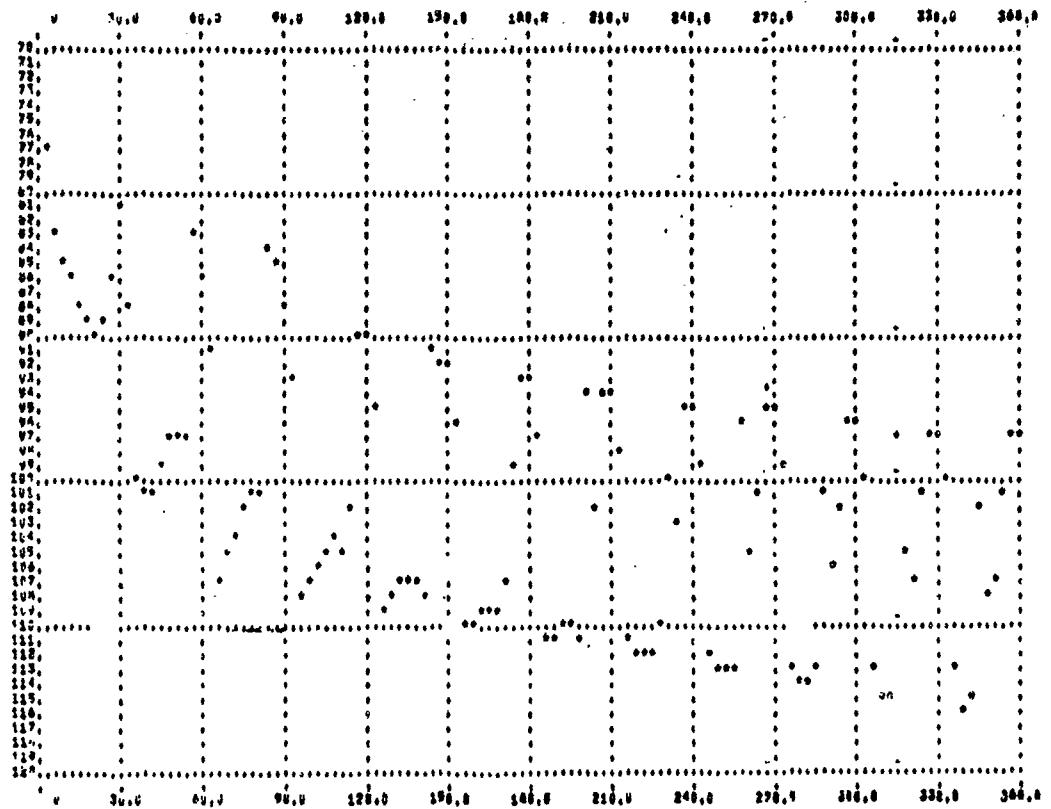


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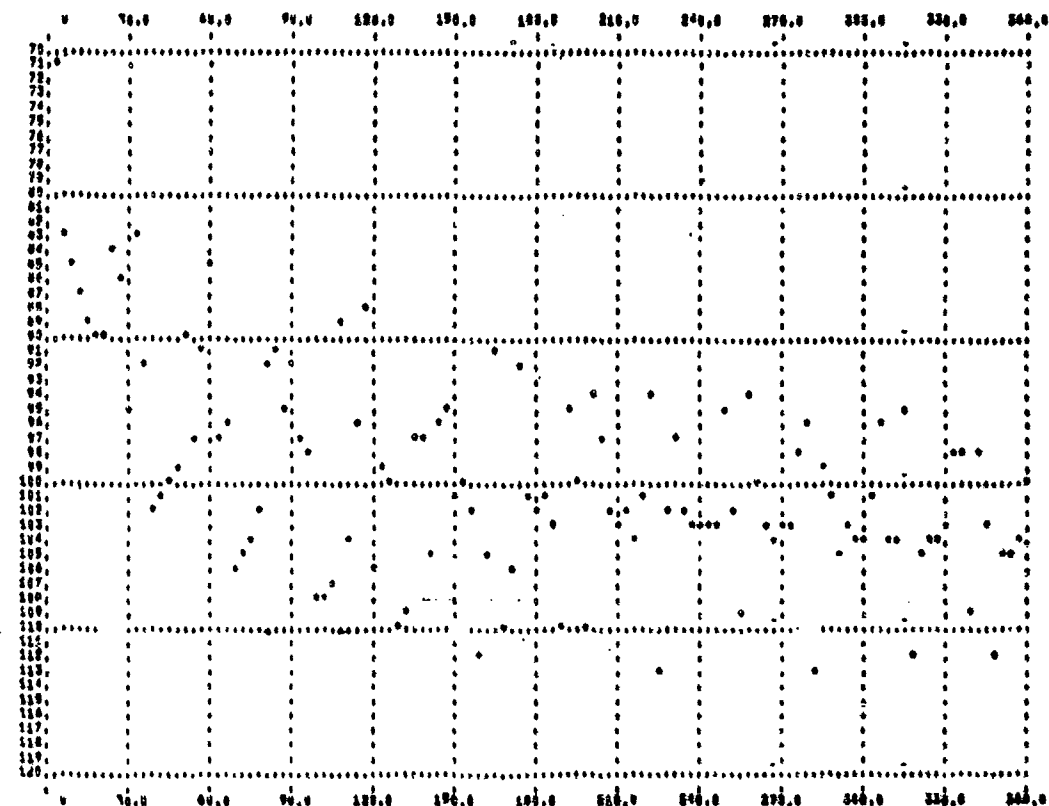


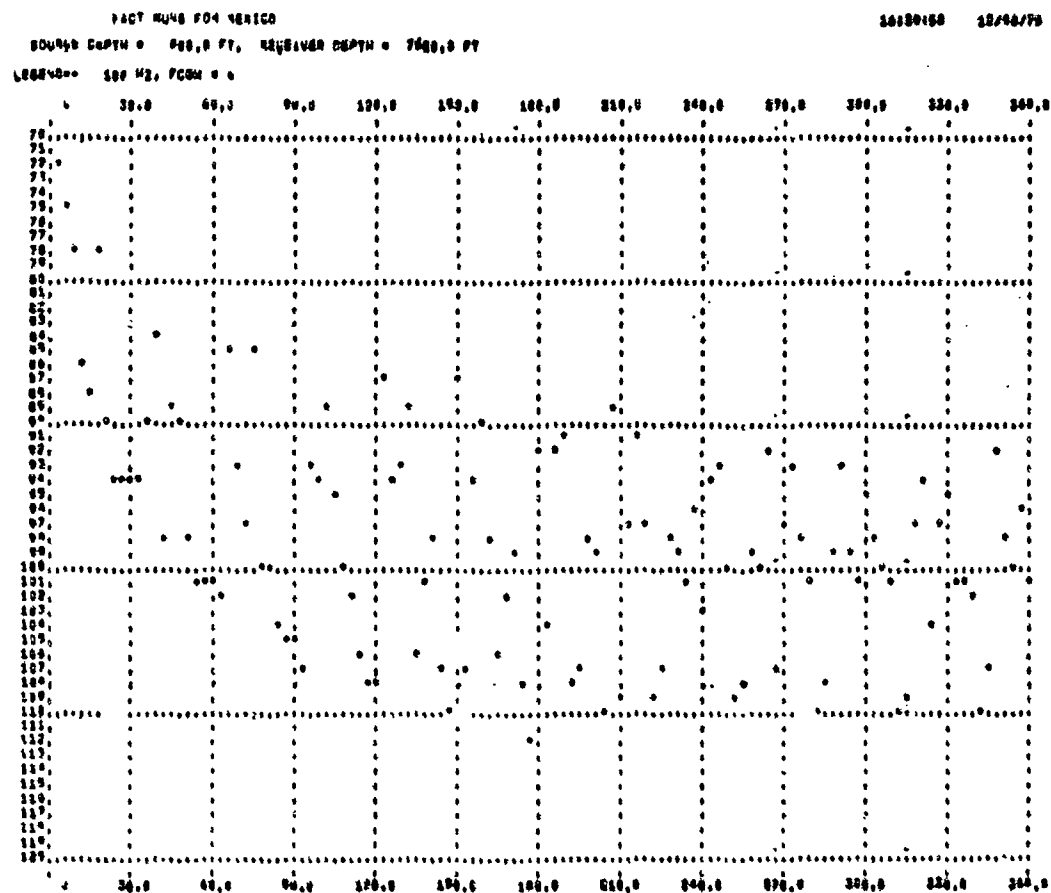
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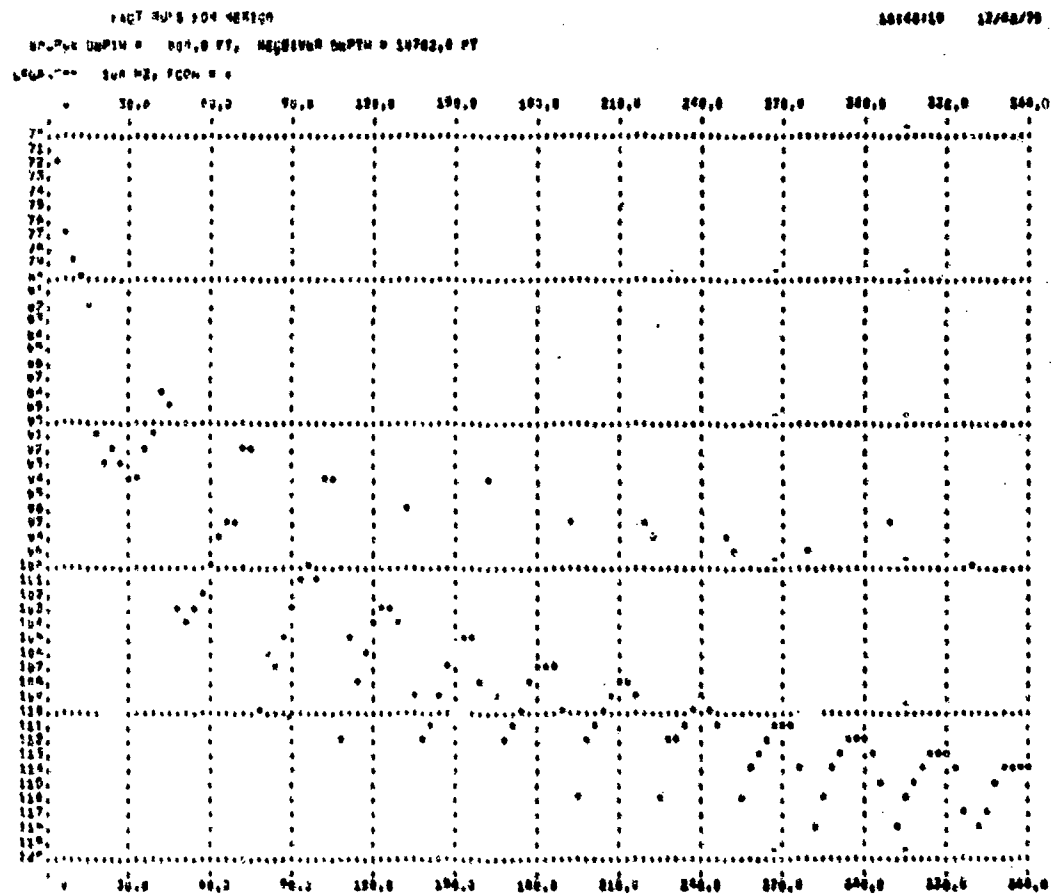
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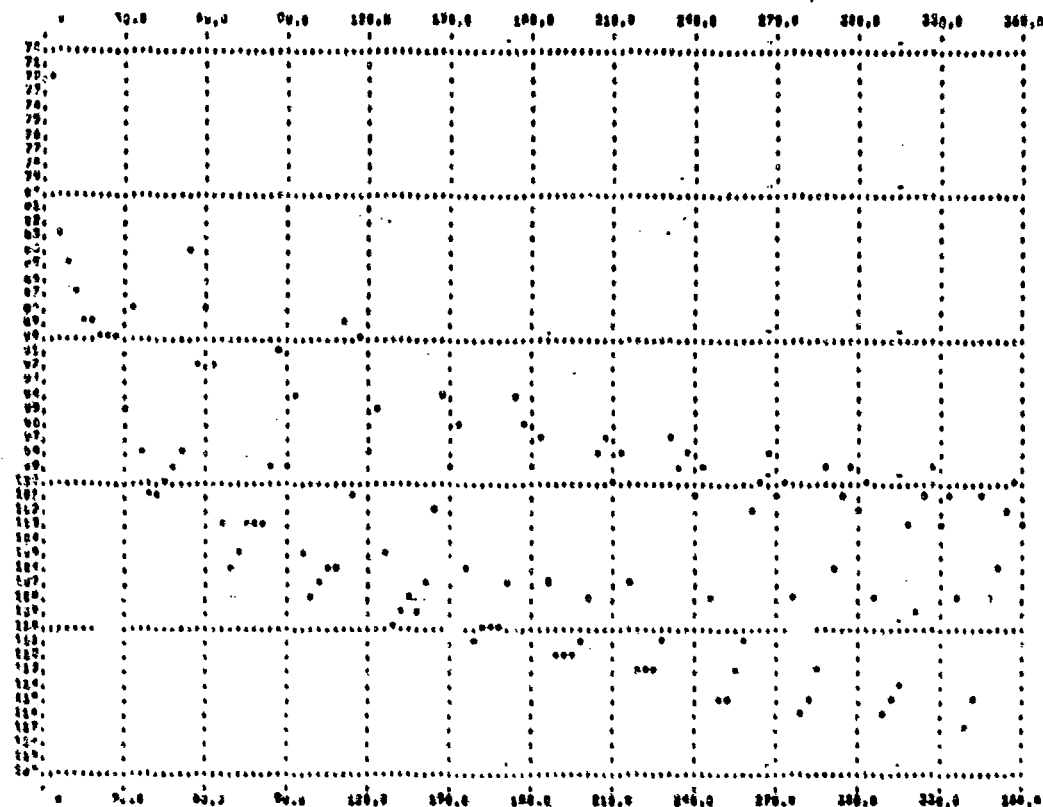


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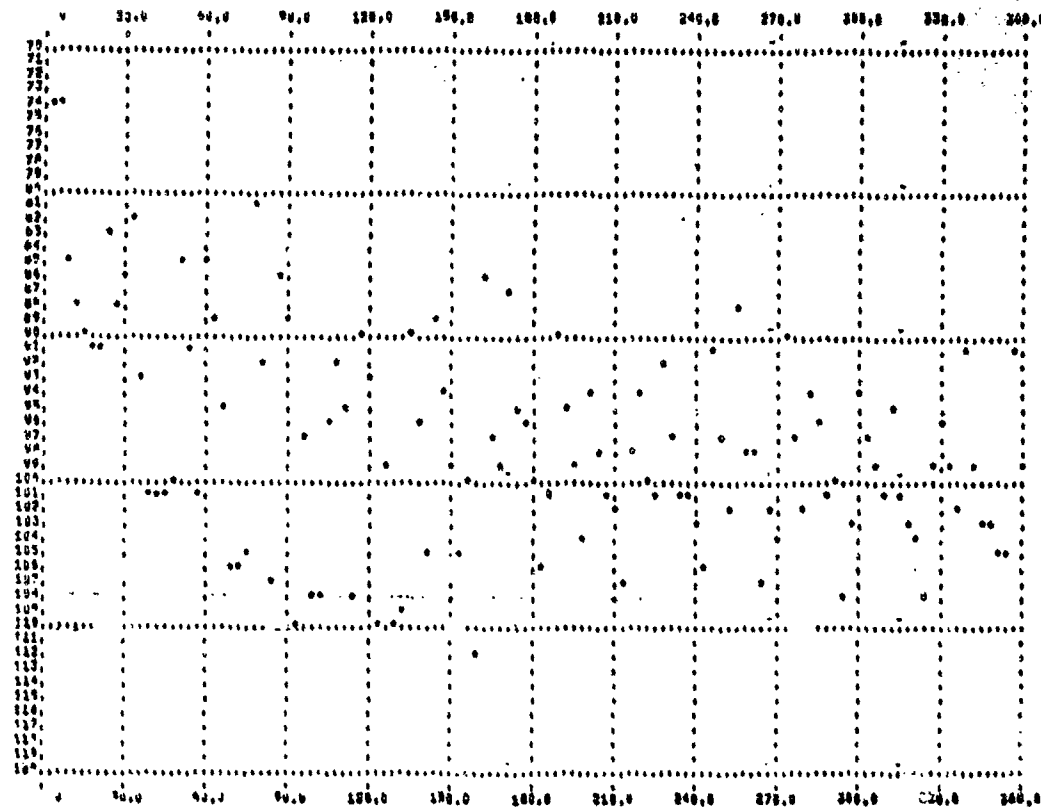




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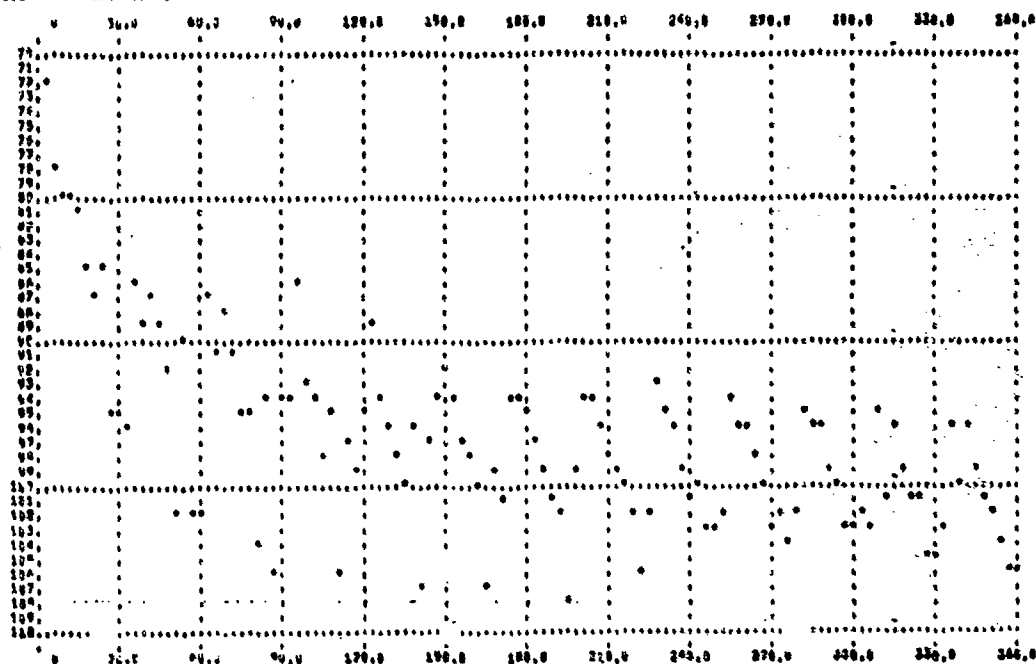
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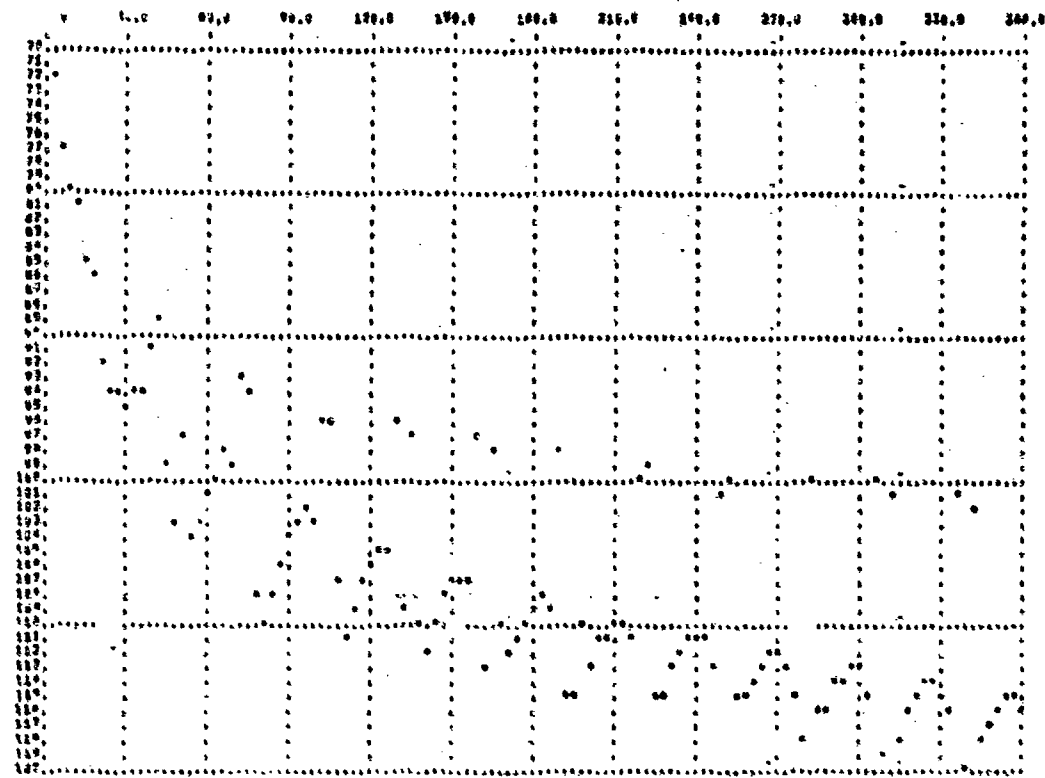


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## APPENDIX B

### EIGENRAY TABULATIONS

This appendix gives tabulations of the predicted behavior of eigenrays for four source depths and four receiver depths and a range of 151.2 nm. For each eigenray the information given is reflecting layer (for this example only the bottom named layer No. 1 is used), source angle, receiver angle, bottom angle, and time required for transmission and number of deep turning points. The SVP shown in Fig. III-2 was used. The computer program EIGENRAY, used to obtain these results, is a layered ocean program which identifies all eigenrays, including bottom penetrating eigenrays, for a given propagation geometry and tabulates the ray parameters which are shown in this appendix.

## APPENDIX B

Eigenrays for four receiver depths and four source depths at 151.2 nm range.

Table numbers for source/receiver combinations.

| Source<br>Depth<br>ft/m | Receiver    |           |           |             |              |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
|                         | Number:     | 1         | 2         | 3           | 4            |
|                         | Depth ft/m: | 500/152.4 | 3297/1005 | 7520/2291.7 | 10702/3261.7 |
| 60/18.3                 | B1          |           | B2        |             |              |
| 300/91.4                | B3          |           | B4        |             |              |
| 800/243.8               | B5          |           | B6        |             |              |
| 2000/609.6              | B7          |           | B8        |             |              |

## RECEIVED RANGE (NO): 151.579

RECEIVED NO. 1

NO. DEEP TURNING POINTS: 9

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| 2   | 6                   | 1                    | -2.7046    | -6.4500    | 2.3475    | 1190.123007 | SPR |
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| 7   | 7                   | 1                    | 5.5304     | 7.6494     | 4.7419    | 1190.822254 | SPR |
| 8   | 7                   | 1                    | -5.5714    | 7.6726     | 4.7080    | 1190.824031 | SPR |
| 9   | 8                   | 1                    | 7.2700     | -8.9860    | 4.7075    | 1190.580114 | SPR |
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| 14  | 5                   | 1                    | -1.7610    | 10.6750    | 2.1154    | 1190.025072 | SPR |
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| 18  | 6                   | 1                    | -3.0527    | 11.2384    | 4.4542    | 1190.704104 | SPR |
| 19  | 7                   | 1                    | 5.2604     | -11.7444   | 5.0047    | 1190.924300 | SPR |
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APPENDIX C  
ORGANIZATIONS

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PERSONNEL

MAJOR EQUIPMENTS

(to be added later)

APPENDIX D

OPERATIONAL DETAILS

DETAILED OPERATIONAL PLANS

ACOUSTIC SOURCE FREQUENCIES

SCHEDULING

RADIO FREQUENCIES, ETC.

(to be added later)

## APPENDIX E

### SUS PROCESSOR DESCRIPTION

The analog data recordings are time compressed in playback and converted to digital format along with associated timing and system information. Three data channels or hydrophones are converted simultaneously. The data are filtered in playback for antialiasing and anti-strumming (low frequency receiver effects). The sampling rate, which is synchronized by a tone on the data tape to minimize analog record/playback variations, is determined by the frequency range of analysis. The broadband digitized signals are not archived after the processing is completed.

The heart of the automatic SUS processor is a software system with an adaptive algorithm that determines the threshold for detection based on estimates of the ambient noise and the envelope of the SUS signal. Coincident detection is required across multichannels to minimize the false alarm rate. For example, Fig. E-1 shows the arrival of a shot received on the hydrophone data channels. Source information from the exercise operations is input to the processor, which utilizes a simple propagation model to calculate an expected event arrival time window.

The SUS signal duration is independently determined on each data channel since varying propagation paths can exist between the source and receiving hydrophones. An adaptive filter based on the signal energy relative to the ambient noise energy is used to determine the shot signal termination. Information from each detected SUS is used to update the filter parameters for each following event.

Once the event is detected and the signal duration is determined, an FFT algorithm is used to determine the high resolution spectrum of the signal plus noise. The resolution in the spectral estimation is





CHANNEL 1



CHANNEL 2



CHANNEL 3

FIGURE E-1

SUS ARRIVAL ON THREE HYDROPHONE CHANNELS  
(Signal envelope versus time)

based on the sampling rate chosen and a 4096 point transform. The spectrum of the ambient noise immediately preceding each SUS is determined in a like manner.

The structure of the received SUS frequency spectrum is determined by the multipath arrival structure and the SUS source character. For example, Fig. E-2 shows the spectrum of two different SUS arrivals including the noise spectrum preceding each arrival. The spectra are remarkably different because of the source depth difference, which determines the SUS bubble pulse frequency.

The general flow of the shot processing is summarized in Fig. E-3, and the parameters of the processor are outlined in Fig. E-4.

#### Processor Outputs

For each SUS signal detected the following information is output to digital tape and is used in the analysis of the acoustics of the environment:

- 1) SUS event time to 0.01 sec.
- 2) SUS duration to 0.01 sec.
- 3) High resolution spectra of signal plus noise.
- 4) High resolution spectra of the ambient noise sample associated with each SUS.
- 5) SUS signal energy, ambient noise energy, and signal-to-noise estimates in 1 and 1/3 octave frequency bands.
- 6) Propagation loss and signal-to-noise estimates versus range and/or time.

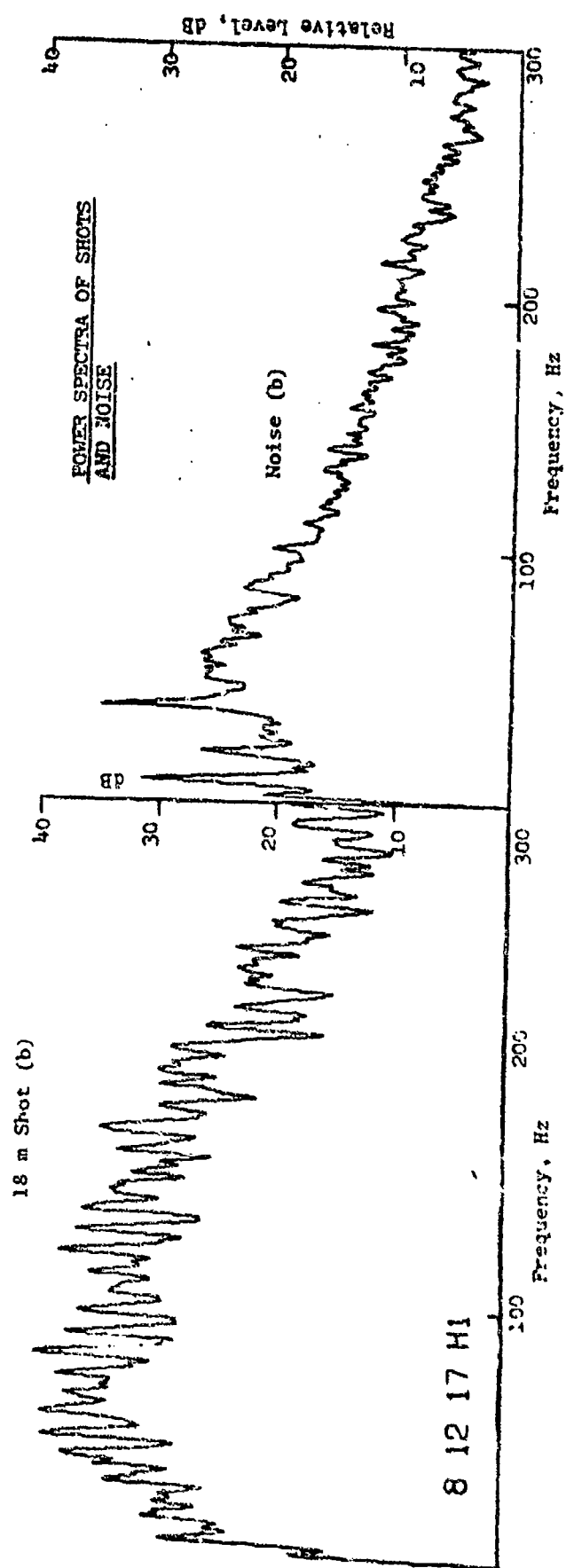
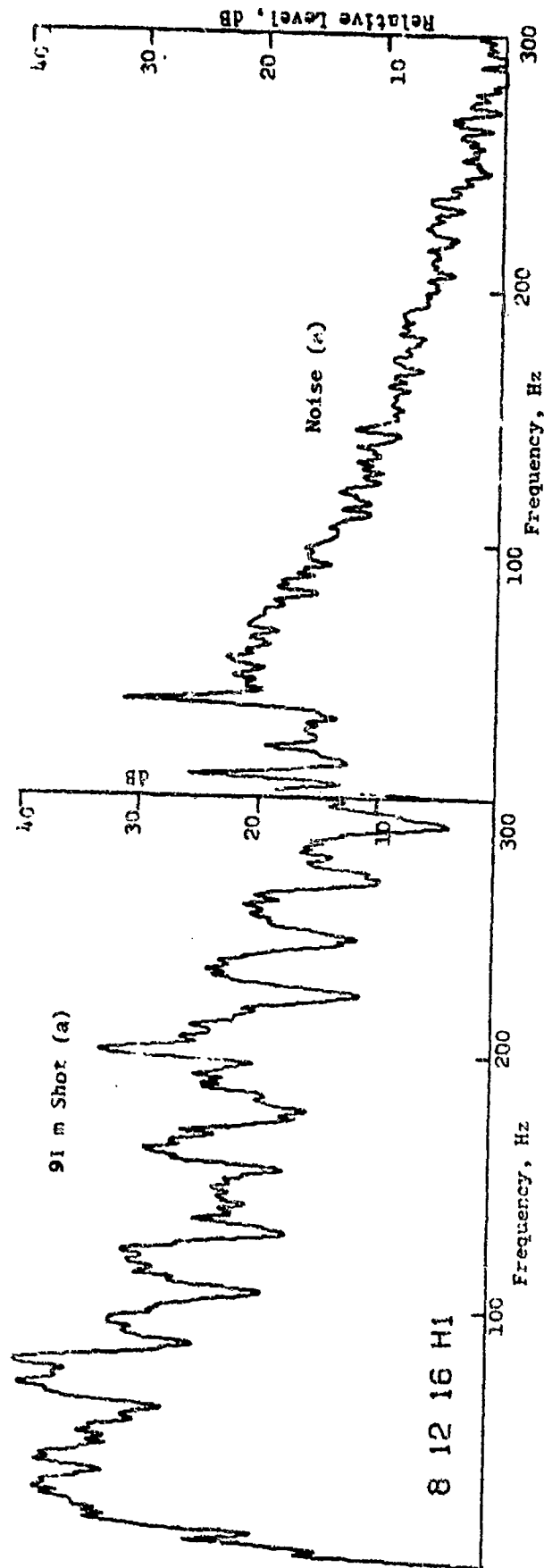


FIGURE E-2

REPORT OF THE AIR FORCE

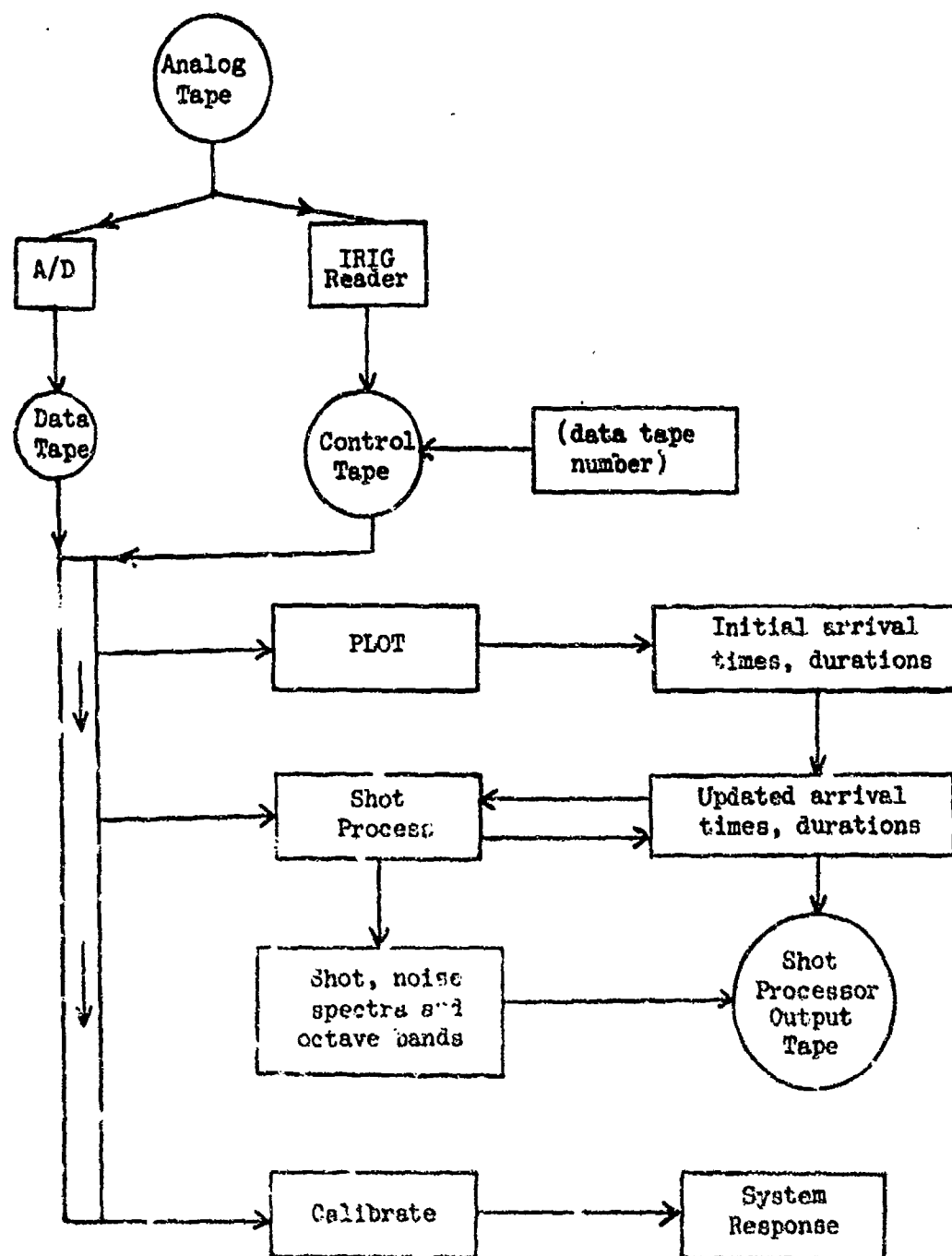


FIGURE E-3  
GENERAL FLOW OF SHOT PROCESSING

DATA SOURCE: ANALOG TAPE

PROCESSING TECHNIQUE: ANALOG TO DIGITAL CONVERSION OF CONTINUOUS RECORD  
INTERMEDIATE STORAGE ON DIGITAL TAPE AUTOMATIC COMPUTER EVENT  
DETECTION ADAPTIVE SIGNAL DURATION DETERMINE FFT ENERGY ANALYSIS.  
RANDOM ACCESS DISK FOR SIGNAL SORTING

SIMULTANEOUS PROCESSING OF THREE HYDROPHONE CHANNELS

PLAYBACK SPEEDUP: 20/1

PROCESSING SPEED: 10 TO 15 sec FOR HYDROPHONE SHOT INCLUDING NOISE  
(EXERCISE DEPENDENT)

RESOLUTION: EVENTS TO 0.01 sec, FREQUENCY TO 0.15 Hz

AVAILABLE OUTPUTS:

SIGNAL ARRIVAL TIMES  
SIGNAL DURATION  
POWER SPECTRA FOR SIGNAL AND NOISE  
OCTAVE BAND ENERGIES  
PROPAGATION LOSS  
SIGNAL-TO-NOISE RATIOS

FIGURE E-4

ARL/UT SUS PROCESSING SYSTEM

## APPENDIX F

### AN/CW PROCESSOR DESCRIPTION

The AN/CW processor is a hardware/software configuration designed to perform a narrowband analysis over a variable frequency range handling large volumes of data. The system is divided into five tasks: A/D conversion, spectral estimation, band estimation, editing, and display. Parameters such as bandwidth, frequency range and resolution, and integration or averaging time can be readily adopted to suit different applications.

For the A/D task, the analog data recordings are time compressed in playback and converted to digital format. The equipment configuration is shown in Fig. F-1. One hydrophone channel is digitized on each processing, run along with the corresponding timing and receiving system information. Programmable amplifiers, controlled by the digital computer, are used to maximize the dynamic range utilization of the A/D converter. The sampling signal is phased locked to a reference on the data tape to minimize errors due to record/playback fluctuations.

During one A/D pass the computer flags any sample whose amplitude exceeds the range of the A/D converter. The computer also determines the peak and average amplitude of the data for each minute. This information is used to determine the desired amplifier setting for the data in the following minute. Time synchronization checks are maintained by the computer throughout an A/D run.

The second task of the processor is to compute and calibrate a narrowband spectra from contiguous time increments throughout the data period analyzed. Currently an 8192 point FFT is used to provide a frequency resolution of 0.07 Hz for the frequency range of 10 to 300 Hz.

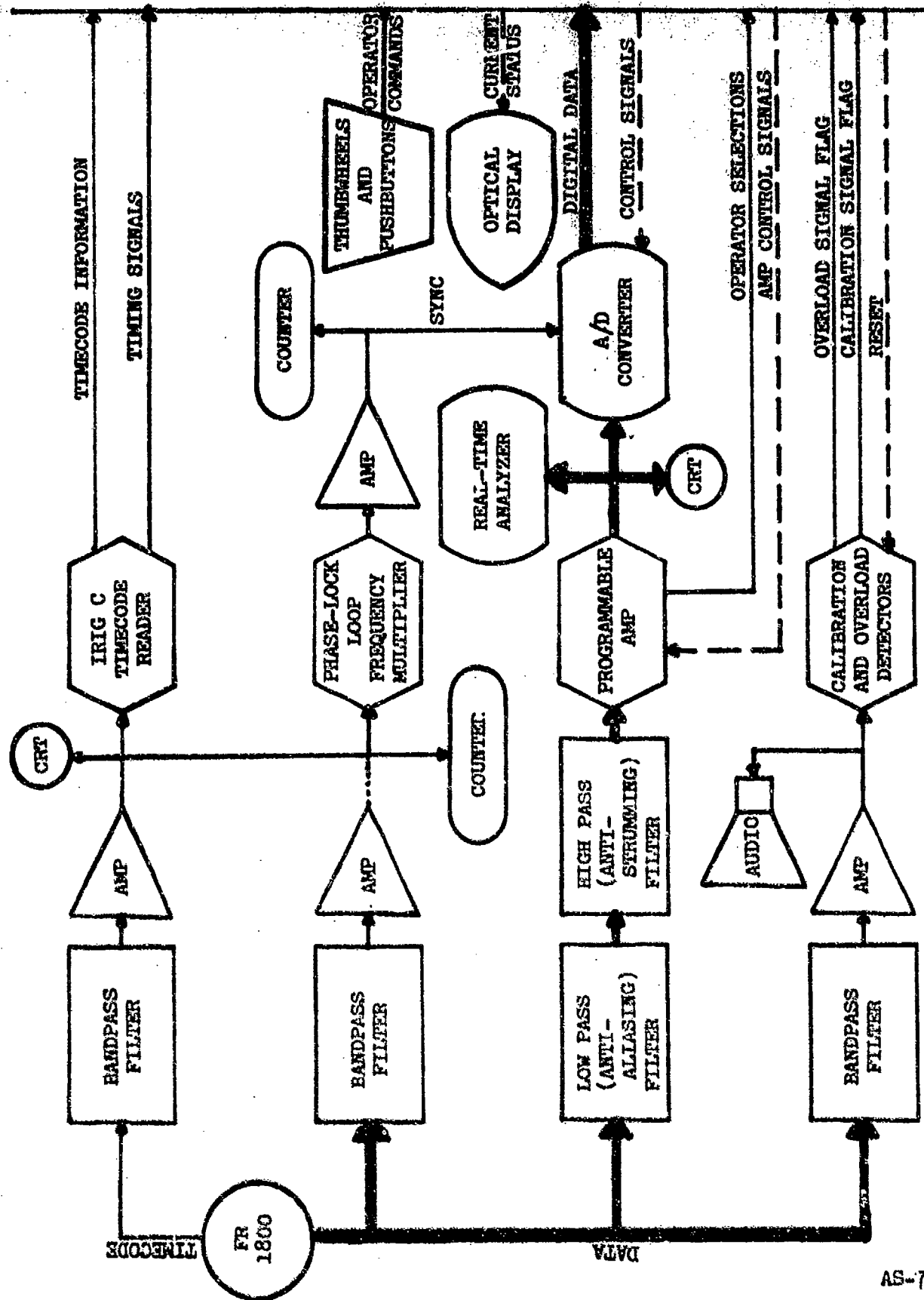


FIGURE F-1

The ambient noise spectra can be time averaged over a selected period and output as narrowband and/or octave band time series. Various statistical algorithms are available to furnish the information required to perform an acoustical analysis of the data.

The CW analysis is achieved by using the calibrated narrowband spectra to estimate the signal power in a given frequency band. The spectra are first averaged for a specified period. From these averages, two types of band estimates are obtained. For each CW signal, a narrow (1 Hz) band centered about the source frequency is searched for its spectral peak line. The power in a narrower band (0.22 Hz) centered about this peak is then determined. Peak tracking is used to compensate for any doppler shift and variation in source frequency that might occur. The second type of band estimate determines the ambient noise power in a wider band (4 Hz) associated with each source frequency. An algorithm is used to minimize the effects of extraneous shipping lines and short-term nonstationarities that often contaminate data of this type.

The third task performed by the AN/CW processor automatically edits the reduced data for artifacts and contamination from these sources:

1. environmental effects such as biological and seismic noise,
2. exercise effects such as conflicting sources (SUS), source level fluctuations, source timing, and shipping noise, and
3. receiver and recording system effects.

The techniques and algorithms used in the editing phase are software implemented with the exception of some SUS detection accomplished during the A/D phase. These algorithms consist of calibrations, data quality indicators, information from exercise operations, and adaptive filters for octave and narrowband noise estimators, peak tracking, and correction of receiver system artifacts.



The data display consists of graphics and tabulations specified and required in the final analysis performed. Figure F-2 summarizes the CW/AN processing.

#### Processor Outputs

The following outputs of the AN/CW processor are available for analysis:

1. ambient noise spectra in narrow and/or octave bands,
2. CW signal power, noise power, and signal-to-noise estimates in narrow frequency bands, and
3. propagation loss (PL), noise power estimates, and signal-to-noise estimates versus range and/or time.

Examples of PL and signal excess ( $S+N/N$ ) in the deep ocean are shown in Figs. F-3 and F-4. These show the PL along the same track for an inbound source and then an outbound source. The figures illustrate the repeatability of the PL as a function of range and equally interesting is that they show rather large variations in the noise background. Noise variations like this are difficult to interpret when viewed through a narrowband processor and ARL has found that a valuable aid in interpretation is a time versus frequency plot of the total available spectrum. For example, the noise increase in Fig. F-3 is identified as a moving broadband source in the three-dimensional plot shown in Fig. F-5. Another view of Fig. F-5 is Fig. F-6, which is a better illustration of the quantitative rise in the noise level.

## REQUIRED INPUTS

EVENT TIMES + HYDROPHONE NUMBERS  
FREQUENCY RANGE  
CW PROCESSING BANDWIDTH  
TIMECODE SYNC  
CALIBRATION SIGNAL FORMAT AND LOCATIONS  
OVERLOAD SIGNAL FORMAT  
HYDROPHONE/TAPE CHANNEL ASSIGNMENTS  
ANALOG TAPE

RECEIVER CONFIGURATION  
HYDROPHONE SENSITIVITY  
PREAMPLIFIER GAIN AND RESPONSE  
CABLE LOSS FOR EACH HYDROPHONE  
CALIBRATION SIGNAL LEVELS  
ANY PERTINENT PRE/POST  
DEPLOYMENT NOTES

SOURCE FREQUENCIES (0.1 Hz)  
APPROXIMATE SOURCE SPEED AND DIRECTION  
SOURCE FREQUENCY STABILITY

RANGE AND BEARING TO SOURCE  
SOURCE LEVELS AND ON TIMES  
SHIPPING PROXIMITY  
CONFLICTING EVENTS

RECIPIENTS  
FORMATS  
AVERAGING TIMES

## OUTPUTS

COMPUTER LOG  
OPERATOR NOTES  
RAW DIGITAL TAPES CONTAINING:  
DIGITIZED DATA  
TIMECODE INFORMATION  
AMPLIFIER SETTINGS  
OVERLOAD AND CLIPPING INDICATOR  
BOOKKEEPING ENTRIES

CONVERSION FACTORS  
OVERALL FREQUENCY RESPONSE  
STATISTICS ON RECEIVER:  
AMPLITUDE STABILITY  
FREQUENCY STABILITY  
GAIN STATES  
NOISE FLOOR  
SPECTRA SAVED ON DIGITAL TAPE

PEAKS, MEANS, AND MEDIANS WITHIN  
EACH CW BAND  
TOTAL POWER IN EACH 1/3-OCTAVE BAND  
NORMALIZED TO 1 Hz  
HIGH-RESOLUTION AVERAGED SPECTRA  
STATISTICS ON RECEIVER AND ARTIFACTS  
INTERMEDIATE DIGITAL TAPES  
COMPUTER LOG

FINAL DIGITAL TAPES  
EDITING STATISTICS

PLOTS  
TABULATIONS  
STATISTICS  
TRANSMITTAL TAPES

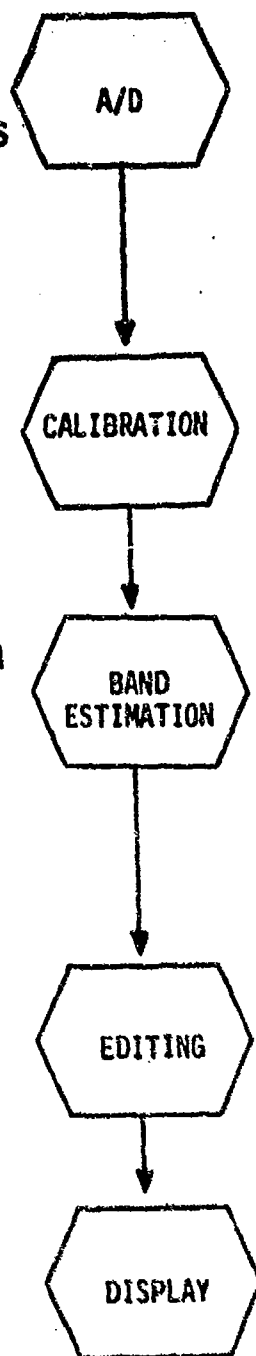


FIGURE F-2

ARL/UT CW/AN PROCESSOR

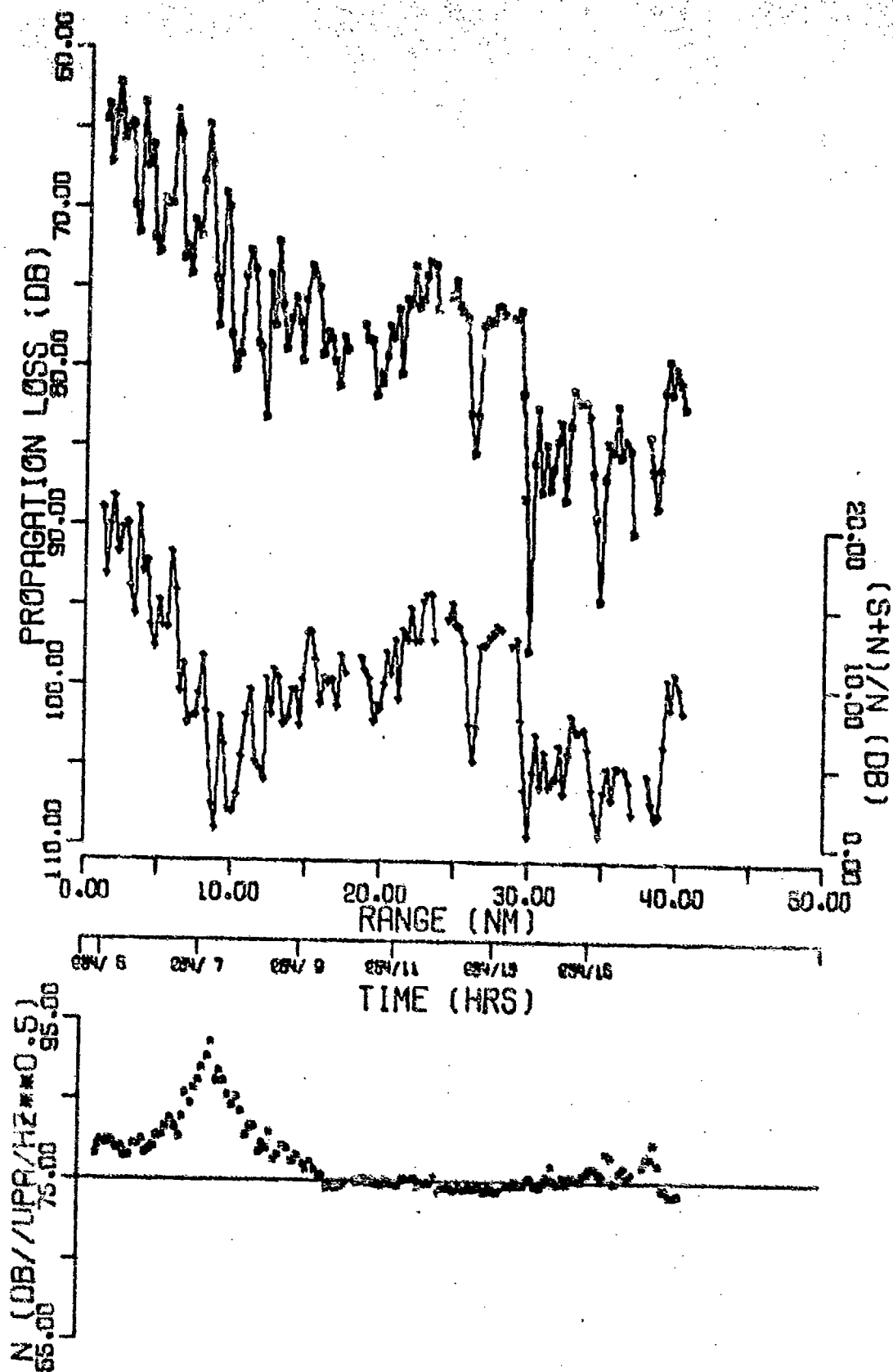


FIGURE F-3

ACODAC SYSTEM 1 HYDROPHONE 6 5328 M BOTTOM  
CHAIN TRACK G-F SOURCE J15-3 70 Hz 91 M 157 dB

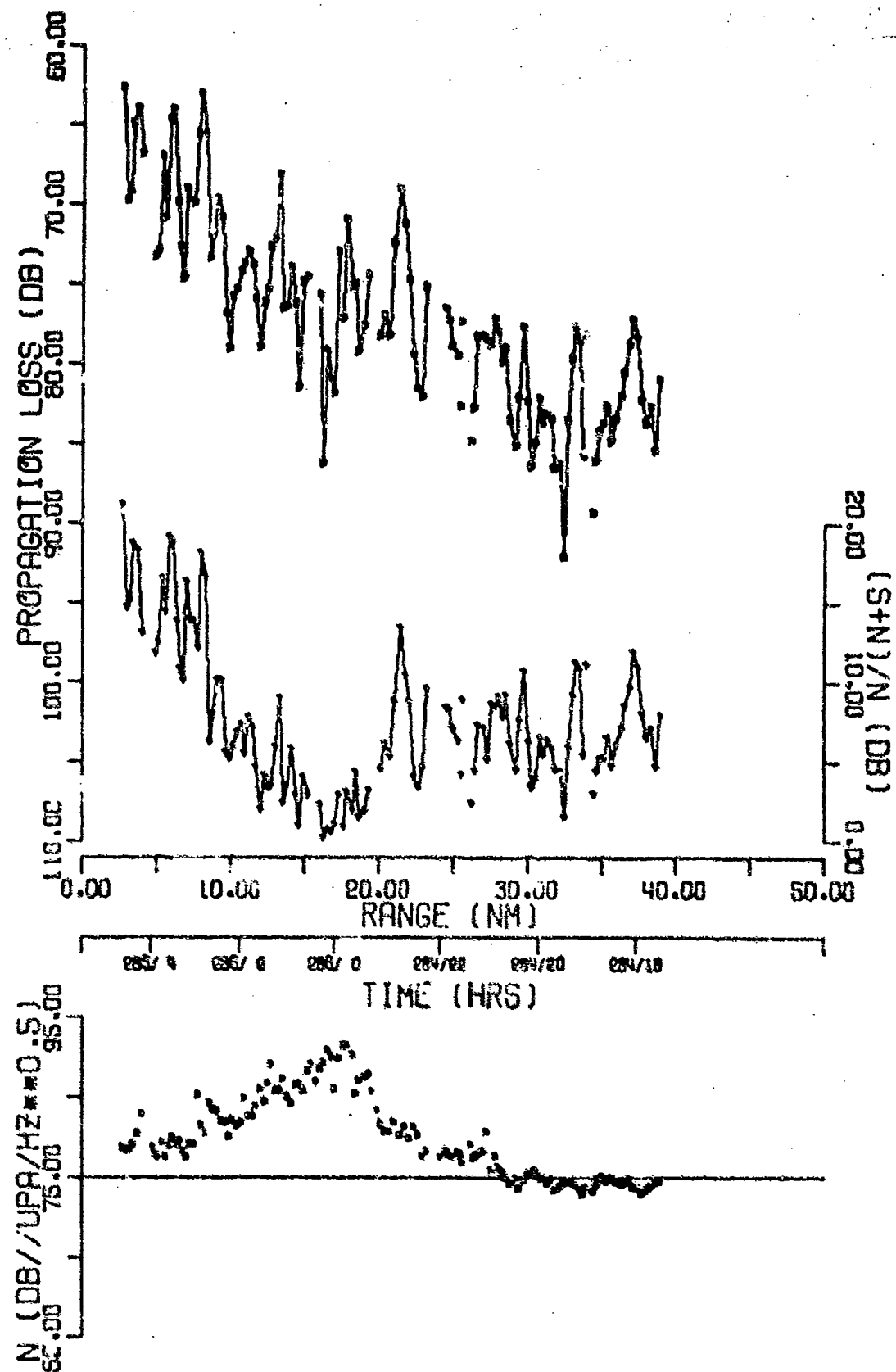


FIGURE F-4

ACODAC SYSTEM 1 HYDROPHONE 6 5328 H BOTTOM  
CHAIN TRACK F-G SOURCE J15-3 70 Hz 91 M 156 dB

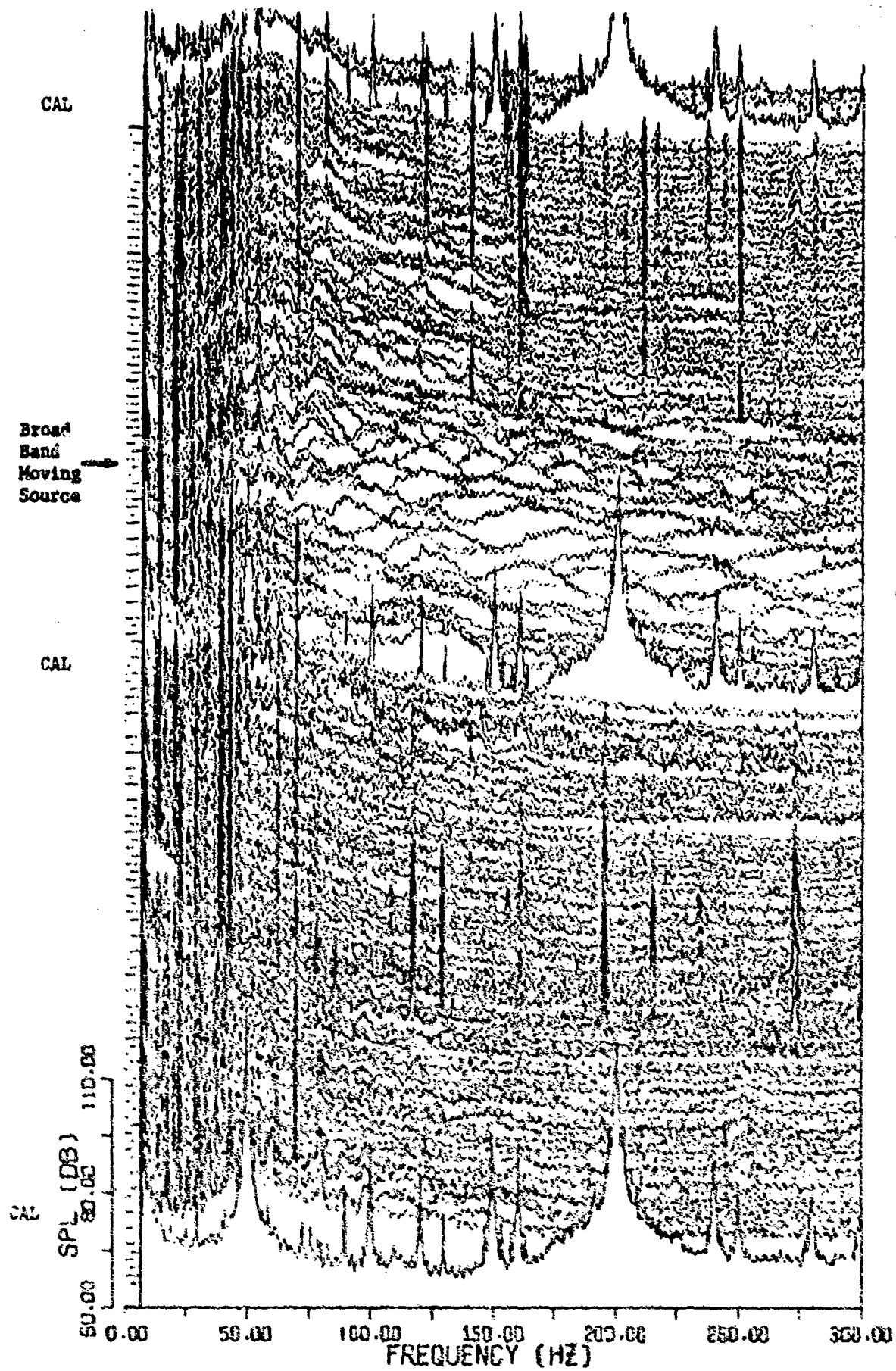


FIGURE F-5

5328a BOTTOM

11/16/00 - 12/04/30 J-15 F TO G VIBROSEIS G TO E

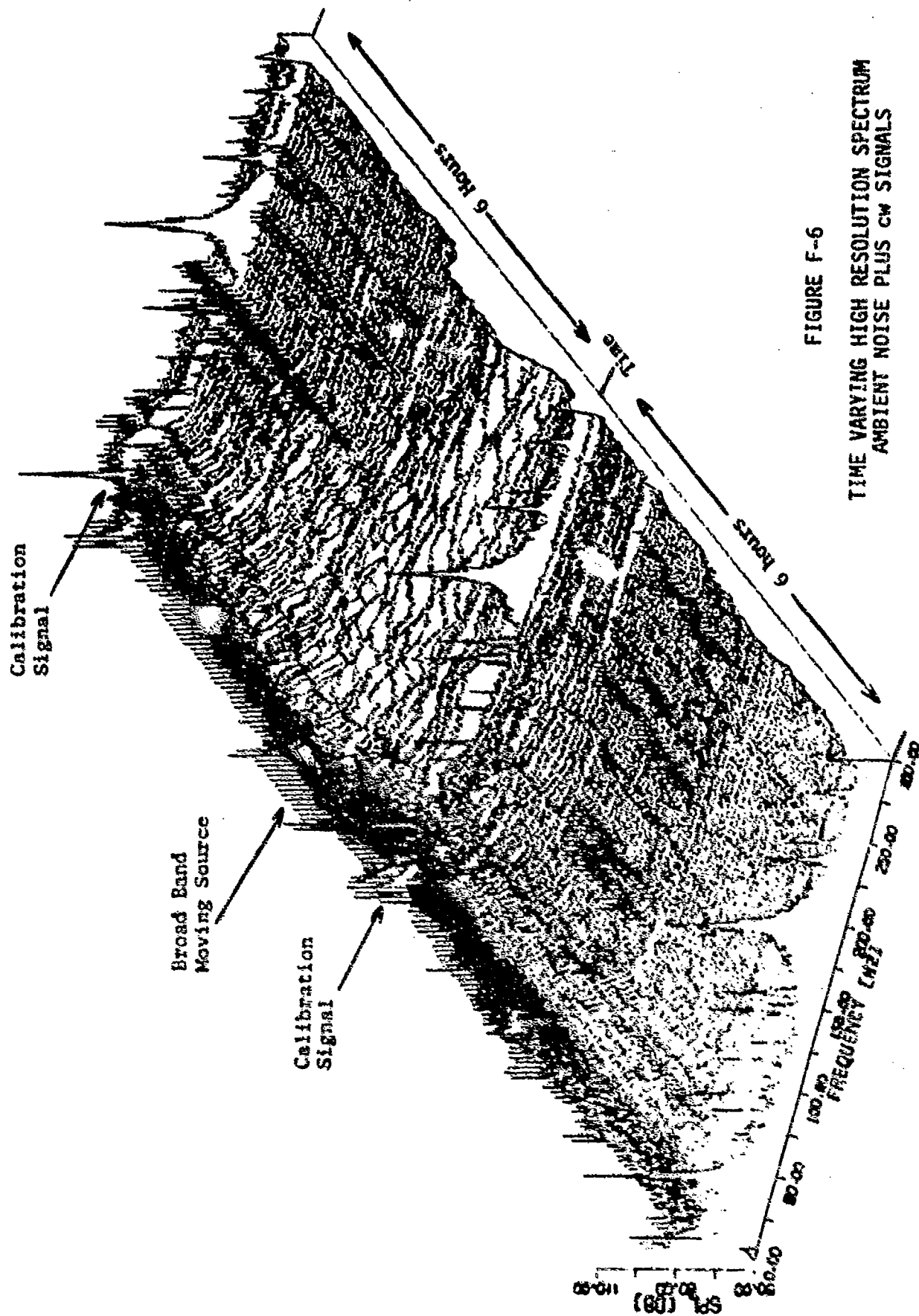


FIGURE F-6

TIME VARYING HIGH RESOLUTION SPECTRUM  
AMBIENT NOISE PLUS CW SIGNALS

APPENDIX G

6 January 1975

MEMORANDUM

From: Chairman, Technical Advisory Group, Bottom Interaction Experiment

To: Manager, Long Range Acoustic Propagation Project

Subj: Report and Recommendations of Technical Advisory Group

Ref: (a) ONR Code 102-OSC:REM:ke ltr of 8 August 1975  
(b) "Acoustic Bottom Interaction Experiment Description,"  
Lloyd D. Hampton, Applied Research Laboratories,  
13 August 1975 (Preliminary Copy)  
(c) NAVOCEANO Code 6130:RSW:jaa memo of 1 December 1975  
(d) "Acoustic Bottom Interaction Experiment Description,"  
Lloyd D. Hampton, ARL-TR-75-41, November 1975

Encl: (1) Attendance at First Meeting of Technical Advisory Group  
for the Bottom Interaction Experiment (28 August 1975)  
(2) Attendance at Second Meeting of Technical Advisory Group  
for the Bottom Interaction Experiment (11 December 1975)

1. Reference (a) established an ad hoc Technical Advisory Group (TAG) for the LRAPP-sponsored ocean acoustics exercise in the eastern Pacific Ocean in an acoustic bottom limited environment (Bottom Interaction Experiment). The first meeting of the TAG was held in Austin, Texas, on 28 August 1975 to review the preliminary experiment description contained in reference (b). Enclosure (1) lists the participants at the first meeting. At that meeting the location for the proposed experiment was changed to an area having a smoother bottom. In addition, a number of suggestions were made concerning the experiment objectives, plan, and details contained in reference (b). As a result of the discussions and suggestions made at the first TAG meeting, together with comments received from those who could not attend, the preliminary experiment description was revised by the Chief Scientist, Dr. Loyd Hampton.

2. The second meeting of the TAG was held in accordance with reference (c) on 11 December 1975 in Washington, DC. Enclosure (2) lists the TAG members and others who attended this meeting. Although the Bottom Interaction Experiment has been postponed due to funding deferrals and the loss of required ACODAC systems in another LRAPP exercise, the meeting was held to review the revised experiment description to ensure that a technically sound plan is available for use whenever the experiment is rescheduled. The TAG was informed by the LRAPP staff that the earliest possible period for the conduct of the experiment would be FY 77 and that decisions concerning the fate of the experiment had not yet been made.

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3. The TAG notes that the experiment was originally planned in accordance with an overall sequence of LRAPP exercises scheduled for FY 76, which placed certain geographic, financial, and resource constraints on it. In view of the postponement of the experiment these constraints no longer exist in the same way and they may unnecessarily limit the conduct of the proposed experiment; however, at my direction the revised experiment description was reviewed largely in the context of the original constraints.

4. The TAG considers the Bottom Interaction Experiment Description to be well conceived and thought out. In particular, the TAG commends the Chief Scientist for his application of acoustic models in the experiment design. The TAG endorses the revised experiment plan within the limits of the original constraints. The TAG does suggest, however, that selected aspects of the plan should be reviewed further if the experiment is to be conducted at some time. In particular, it is recommended that the following parts of the plan be reviewed:

a. Experiment Location: The area selected is generally well-suited for a bottom interaction experiment and offers some advantages in that it permits a number of related transmission phenomena to be investigated, together with propagation in a bottom limited region. In addition, some bottom loss and geophysical data already exist for the area, although it should be noted that the region is geophysically complex, possibly making interpretation of the resulting data difficult. The area chosen has logistic advantages of proximity to the continental U.S., as well as consistency with the overall geographic and time sequence of the originally planned FY 76 LRAPP exercises. Should the experiment be conducted in the future it may be desirable to move the experiment to a geophysically less complicated region, to a region of higher geographic priority, and/or to a region where more detailed geophysical information is available, such as an area containing deep sea drilling sites. Moving the experiment to another location may, but not necessarily, improve the results on their application to future systems or geographic interests.

b. Use of Near-Bottom Hydrophones: The experiment as currently planned utilizes a set of near-bottom hydrophones on the ACODACs. The use of these near-bottom hydrophones may be of some advantage for certain system applications; however, their use in interpreting the data, particularly for determining bottom loss, may be limited by the lack of sufficient time separation between direct and bottom



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reflected signals. The desirability of using these near-bottom hydrophones in the ACODAC configuration should be reviewed in the context of system related versus experiment objectives. At this time the TAG does not recommend a particular deep hydrophone configuration.

c. CW Projector: There does not appear to be sufficient justification at this time for including a CW projector in the experiment. It appears that the experiment objectives can be satisfied without the use of the projector and it should be dropped from the experiment unless further justified.

5. In view of existing financial constraints for experiment planning and the postponement of the experiment, and in order to maintain the integrity of the experiment design the TAG does not suggest the Chief Scientist modify the experiment plan at this time to incorporate the above recommendations. The TAG recommended to the Chief Scientist that, with some minor changes, reference (d) should be forwarded to the Manager, LRAPP, for final review, and then printed in limited numbers for future reference and use.

6. In light of proposed future LRAPP-sponsored exercises, the TAG strongly recommends that the Bottom Interaction Experiment be conducted prior to the conduct of similar measurements in the Indian Ocean. Planning such as went into the development of the Bottom Interaction Experiment and the results from such an experiment should be used in developing an Indian Ocean exercise plan. The experience and results gained from a preliminary bottom interaction experiment should be invaluable for the conduct of future measurements in bottom limited regions.

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7. Finally, the TAG recommends that consideration be given to expanding the sponsorship of the proposed Bottom Interaction Experiment to include the interests of NAVELECSYSCOM and ONR. Combined sponsorship would increase the resources available to support such an experiment. Judicious planning could satisfy the mutual interests of the 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3 communities and provide a cost effective means of conducting a significant experiment.

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